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B. C. LIQUOR EXPORT COMPANY DESTROYS BOOKS TO PROTECT ITS PURCHASERS IN THE U.S.

Secretary of Consolidated Exporters Tells Customs Commission in Vancouver That Firm Has Now No Account Books Dealing With Business Before October, 1925.

Vancouver, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press)—The Consolidated Exporters of British Columbia, with sales of liquor last year amounting to \$6,250,000, has no general books dealing with affairs prior to October, 1925, because they were destroyed. It has been the practice to destroy these books and records ever since 1923, when a resolution was passed at the annual meeting establishing the practice.

William J. Levin, secretary of the Consolidated Exporters, explained today to the Customs Inquiry Commission here that the reason for destroying books and records was that they might furnish information implicating customers of the company in the United States. They were not destroyed because the directors or shareholders of the company feared to be implicated, the witness stated in answer to Hon. N. W. Rowell, K. C., commission counsel.

TAKEN TO MARKETS

Mr. Levin was preceded on the stand by Robert Swanson, acting manager of the Consolidated Exporters, in the absence of G. W. Morgan.

Mr. Swanson agreed with Mr. Rowell that it was unreasonable to suppose liquor ships carrying cargo from the Consolidated Exporters went to Mexico and Central American ports when their market was in the United States. His opinion was that liquor cargoes cleared for those southern countries were unloaded at points along the Pacific Coast where the Consolidated concern had a share.

CONDITIONS UNFAVORABLE

With reference to another liquor ship, the Principe, also in port here, Mr. Swanson said: "We would have loaded her if things had looked good."

Mr. Levin was on the stand when the commission adjourned at noon.

\$22,630 TRANSFERRED

Vancouver, Dec. 7 (Canadian Press)—Ralph T. Stocumb, of the accountants' department of the Bank of Montreal in Vancouver appeared before the Customs Inquiry Commission here this morning to give information in regard to the transfer of \$22,636 by the British America Bank of San Francisco to the Bank of Montreal here in November last for account of the Manitoba Refineries. Mr. Stocumb said this office had communicated with the San Francisco bank and discovered the requisition for the transfer had been signed by James Cameron. The San Francisco bank did not know the remitter.

Evidence given yesterday was that Tom Fay, the absent salesman of the Manitoba Refineries, used the name of James Cameron in San Francisco and Los Angeles.

The witness could not explain these delays.

SHIPS CARRY WIRELESS

He said the ships carrying in transit cargoes were equipped with wireless. They moved up and down the coast as instructed from headquarters.

"Can you point out to me a single one of these in transit shipments which has reached its destination?" asked Mr. Rowell.

The witness admitted he could not.

He agreed with Mr. Rowell that it "did not look reasonable" that a vessel seeking a market in the United States would first go to a Mexican port.

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New Arms Control Plan For Germany

Geneva, Dec. 8.—League of Nations Council members not directly connected with the negotiations being carried on by the Locarno Powers believe an accord in principle already has been reached on the cessation of inter-allied control of German armaments, to be replaced by the right of investigation by the League.

Their opinion is chiefly based on the fact that jurists have been called in to study modification of the League plan of supervision of German armaments to the satisfaction of Germany and the Allied powers.

King Ferdinand Had a Second Operation To-day

Bucharest, Dec. 8.—King Ferdinand underwent a second operation at 11 o'clock this morning. The surgeons say it was successful.

The first operation, to remove hemorrhoids, was performed last Sunday.

JUGOSLAVIA ADDS ARMED FORCES ALBANIAN BORDER

Italian-Albanian Treaty May Cause Kingdom to Leave World League

Budapest, Hungary, Dec. 8.—Jugoslavia is reported to be reinforcing her troops on the Albanian frontier. Dispatches say movements for the regrouping of her military units were started yesterday.

The newspaper Magyar Orszag says it has learned Jugoslavia will threaten to leave the League of Nations if that organization does not bring about cancellation of the new Italian-Albanian treaty.

Jugoslavia is said to regard the suggestion favorably.

The treaty would form an organic whole under the name of the "Triple Alliance."

ROME DENIAL

Rome, Dec. 8.—Emphatic denial was given in official quarters here of a report that the pact recently signed by Italy and Albania contained a secret military clause amounting virtually to a protectorate by Italy over Albania.

Alarmist and false reports which it is declared here have been spread abroad, especially from Geneva, are characterized as absurd and offensive, since it is held the treaty concluded at Tirana, while of reciprocal character and does not aim at any body.

TO BE REGISTERED

Indeed, Italians say it contains a clause establishing that according to the treaties of Versailles and St. Germain, it must be registered with the League of Nations as in the case of similar treaties concluded between Italy and other countries in Central and Eastern Europe, all having the object of maintaining peace by despatching and strengthening good relations through protection of reciprocal economic and commercial interests.

DESIRE PEACE

Italy, it is added, wishes to see Albania entirely independent, but both in the interests of Italy and herself desires to protect that small country against periodical revolutions which originate outside of Albania and serve the interests of other countries than Italy.

Paris, Dec. 8.—Diplomatic circles in Paris think the controversy between Italy and Jugoslavia over the Italian-Albanian treaty may develop considerable tension, but no well-informed authority believes there is danger of war.

ELECTION URGED

Mr. MacDonald declared the Government's policy had steadily altered and urged that a general election be held.

Premier Baldwin, replying, was greeted with hisses and shouts of "Mussolini" from the Laborites, which were drowned by cheers from the supporters of the Prime Minister.

NEW EFFORTS TO RESTORE HAPSBURGS

Recrudescence of Royalist Agitation in Hungary Reported

Bucharest, Dec. 8.—Alarm over the public restoration of the Hapsburg monarchy in Hungary is being raised in certain quarters here. The newspaper Adeverul asserts private advisers have been received that a royalist agitation is now being carried on in Hungary with that end in view.

As to Admiral Horthy, the Regent, the newspaper says he opposes the movement because he desires the crown for himself.

"It remains to be seen," the newspaper concludes, "whether the Little Entente, including Czechoslovakia, Roumania and Jugoslavia, will not find its intervention necessary in a question which interests Roumania in the highest degree."

MAN DID NOT OWN BEER STOCK LISTED IN WILL

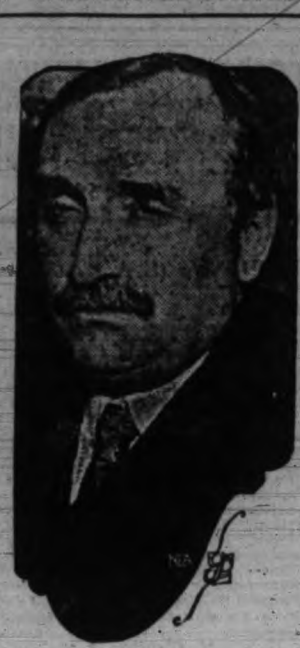
Toronto, Dec. 8.—Sir Henry Pellatt, one of the largest shareholders in the O'Keefe Brewery Company here, states the late Charles V. Miller did not own more than four or five shares of stock in the company, although Mr. Miller in his will has published made bequests of a share of stock to each Protestant minister and Orange lodge in Toronto.

"I can not see how he could make such bequests," Pellatt said.

The general attitude of Toronto clergymen is that they will wait until the will is probated, and they are actually offered the stock, before deciding whether or not to accept it.

It is believed at least three of the clauses in the remarkable will will be challenged, either by the executors or relatives of the late lawyer, and will be made the subject of a decision by the courts.

CHOSEN AS FRENCH AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES



PAUL CLAUDEL

who is to succeed Henry Berenger as spokesman for the French Republic in Washington. Is known as a poet and an authority on Oriental diplomacy.

CANDIDATES ARE NOW INVITED TO ADDRESS RADIO FANS TO-NIGHT

Through the courtesy of the management of the radio station CPCT all candidates standing for election to civic office in Victoria are invited to speak over the radio to-night, commencing at 7 o'clock and continuing until 7.50. The opportunity is open equally to all who have entered their names for civic election, and the time to be taken by each candidate will be divided equally between those who apply to G. W. Desvigne at CPCT, before 7 o'clock to-night.

GREAT LAKES ICE BLOCKADE BROKEN

Expected 110 Grain Steamers Will Soon Move From River Into Lake Huron

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Dec. 8.—Two tugs and the grain steamer St. Marie this morning broke a battering campaign to free the steamer General Garretson, jammed in the ice of the West Nileish cut and proving the "key log" of the blockade of the 110 grain-laden steamers at anchor in the St. Mary's River, the connecting link between Lake Superior and Lake Huron.

With the release of the Garretson, the entire downbound fleet is expected to get under way.

The upbound coal fleet was under way this morning.

CRITICISM VOICED

Montreal, Dec. 8.—T. R. Enderby, general manager of the Canada Steamship Lines Limited, in an interview here said the inaction of the Federal Government and its failure to provide adequate equipment for helping to extricate ships locked in the ice in the St. Lawrence region and to aid others in reaching Georgian Bay ports or in passing through the St. Lawrence canals was disadvantageously affecting the clearance of Canadian grain for other lands.

"No assistance has been received by Canadian steamship owners whose ships have been held up at the Soo with the exception of that provided through the Lake Carriers' Association of Cleveland, working in conjunction with the Dominion Marine Association," he said.

These organizations had to obtain tugs and the car ferry Saine Marie to aid in breaking a passage in the ice for the lake boats to move both up and down.

The services of the car ferry cost \$1,500 a day, while the owners had to guarantee any loss that might accrue to it before it would be placed in operation."

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LEAGUE'S ATTITUDE

From Geneva came word that League of Nations circles did not regard the treaty between Italy and Albania as violating the League covenant unless it contained secret clauses.

Developments in the situation are being closely watched by the statesmen in Geneva and it is asserted there that they will be prompt attention by the League should peace in the Balkans be endangered.

BRITAIN WAS INFORMED

London, Dec. 8.—British officialdom professes to regard the Albanian-Italian treaty benevolently as being a natural move for Italy, which, it is intimated, informed Great Britain, and presumably France, about the pact before it was actually signed.

COUNT OF BALLOTS BE STARTED LATER THIS YEAR

Progress Tally May Reach the Streets by 9 p.m. To-morrow

Nineteen Candidates Stand For Election to Nine Civic Seats

The first progress count of votes cast at the civic election to-morrow is not likely to reach the bulletin board much before 9 p.m., stated William Scowcroft, city returning officer, today.

Between 3,500 and 4,500 votes will be cast, it is expected, and these must be segregated four times over the three classes of candidates running, and the city manager referendum issue. Counting will not begin until this is completed.

The polls will open at 9 a.m. to-morrow, and close at 7 p.m., two hours being the estimated time for preparing the boxes for a count. A progress count will be possible ten minutes after the tally commences.

The actual process of voting will be faster than in other years, with less searching for the correct divisions, and all marking of ballots to be performed at one time.

A list of the candidates seeking election are as follows:

FOR COUNCIL (5)

ADAM, James.
ANDROS, E. B.
BROWN, P. R.
CLEARHUE, J. B.
CULLIN, W. H.
DAY, John.
LITCHFIELD, H. O.
SHANKS, J. A.
WELLBURN, M. B.
WOODWARD, E. S.
WORTHINGTON, John A.

FOR TRUSTEE (3)

GEORGE, P. E.
STANFELAND, W. E.
MCMILLAN, J. S.
MORESBY, W. C.
STRAITH, W. T.

FOR POLICE BOARD (1)

HALL, W. W.
McGAVIN, Andrew.
STANFELAND, W. E.

In addition there will be the referendum on the city manager issue.

Three Candidates In Toronto For the Post of Mayor

Toronto, Dec. 8.—Three candidates are in the field for mayor of Toronto in 1927. They are Mayor Thomas Foster, Controller Samuel McBride and W. D. Robbins, former controller.

BUDGET OF THE U.S. IS \$4,014,571,124

Total Asked For Next Fiscal Year \$16,543,728 Greater Than Last One

Washington, Dec. 8.—The United States Government budget for the next fiscal year, calling for appropriations totaling \$4,014,571,124, or \$16,543,728 more than was allotted for the current year, was submitted to Congress to-day by President Coolidge.

A total of \$574,000,000 would be appropriated for national defence, a very considerable amount to spend for protection in time of peace," he said.

But the President went on to assure Congress no threatening cloud at present darkened the sky.

HOPE FOR PEACE

"Our intent and attitude is one of peace and friendly regard toward all peoples," he said. "This, however, is not sufficient warrant to neglect our defence and default on necessary precautions."

The 1923 fiscal year outlay provides for inauguration of five-year aviation programmes in the army and navy.

WRITTEN ARGUMENTS FILED IN VICTORIA WATERWORKS ISSUE

The respective cases of Victoria and Oak Bay regarding the price of water to obtain in a four-year agreement to date back to January 1 of this year, were filed with the Provincial Board of Investigation, convened under the Water Act, on Monday.

Oak Bay's written case took up 168 pages, contained in four bound volumes. The city states its position in fourteen pages. Both sides are given two weeks in which to make a reply to the written pleadings of the other side. After that the board can call for such further information as it may require.

Oak Bay and Victoria agree in advance to abide by any price fixation arrived at, for four years. The board is composed of Messrs. J. E. Lane, J. C. MacDonald, J. S. T. Alexander and E. Davis.

PREMIER KING IS BACK IN OTTAWA

He and Lapointe Return From Europe For Commons Opening To-morrow

Massey Spends Few Days in Ottawa on Way to Post in Washington

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—Premier King, back from the Imperial Conference in London, arrived here this morning, shortly after 11 o'clock, accompanied by Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Hon. Vincent Massey and a party of twelve, including secretaries and newspaper correspondents. All appeared to be in excellent spirits. They were greeted by all the members of the Cabinet and several members of Parliament who had arrived in Ottawa for the opening of the session to-morrow.

The Premier declined to be interviewed and left at once for Laurier House. He will meet the Cabinet at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Hon. Vincent Massey, who has expressed a desire to commence his work in Washington, as Canadian Minister to the United States, as soon as possible, will be in Ottawa until Saturday morning, when he will leave for Toronto.

SESSIONAL PROGRAMME

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—It is now assumed in political circles here that the Speech from the Throne on Friday will contain declarations of government policy along the following lines:

1.—Legislation to aid the manufacture of coke from Canadian coal.

2.—A new programme of Canadian National Railway branch line construction over a three-year period.

3.—Legislation implementing some of the recommendations of the Commission on Maritime Rights. (The report will be tabled on Friday of this week in the Commons.)

4.—Legislation to give effect to the agreement between the C.N.R. and the debenture holders of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

HUDSON BAY LINE

An announcement of the decision to have the line made of the terminal facilities at Port Nelson on the Hudson Bay Railway.

It is quite likely the Speech will also contain reference to the results of the recent Imperial Conference in London.

Premier King, since his arrival in New York yesterday, has intimated he will have something to say regarding the proposed visit to Canada of the Prince of Wales and Premier Stanley Baldwin in 1927.

It is also possible the Speech may contain tax reductions.

Hon. J. A. Robb, Minister of Finance, and Premier King both stated during the general election campaign that the Liberals were returned to power; tax reductions would follow.

TO ELECT SPEAKER

The Commons will meet to-morrow to elect its Speaker for the session. That will be the only business to-morrow. The Speech from the Throne will be read Friday afternoon.

CANADA IS TO HAVE NEW LABOR CONGRESS

Body is to be Organized at Convention in City of Montreal Next March

Calgary, Dec. 8.—Frank Wheatley, president of the Mine Workers of Canada, a rival organization of the United Mine Workers of America, to-day predicted a national organization of labor rivaling the Trades and Labor Congress.

The new congress, he said, would be formed in Montreal at a meeting of delegates called for March 15.

ANNOUNCEMENT EXPECTED

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—The announcement from Calgary by Frank Wheatley, president of the Mine Workers of Canada, that an organization rivaling the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada probably would be formed in Montreal during a labor convention called for March 15, next, had been expected for some time, officials of the congress declared here to-day. It was said the new movement had the backing of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees.

The understanding here is that the new congress will be organized by Mr. Wheatley will be known as the All-Canadian Congress of Labor.

\$20,000 FIRE IN NEW BRUNSWICK

Moncton, N.B., Dec. 8.—Two stores and a garage and its contents in the business centre of Dorchester, Westmorland County, were wiped out last night by fire that for a time menaced a great portion of the town. The total property loss is estimated at over \$20,000.

CHILD LOST LIFE

Stoney Beach, Sask., Dec. 8.—Shortly after his arrival in the hospital in Moose Jaw yesterday afternoon, Herbert, eighteen-month-old son of John Short, a farmer, died of concussion of the brain, the result of a storm window falling on him Friday night.

PLAN AIR SERVICE BETWEEN VICTORIA AND B. C. MAINLAND

Central Canadian Airways Limited Propose to Maintain Two Trips a Day to Vancouver; Contemplate Building Three Seaplanes and Will Start Service Next March

An aerial passenger and special delivery freight service between Victoria and Vancouver, giving two trips daily, is the plan of the Central Canadian Airways Limited, whose representatives are in the city to-day.

Capt. J. Clark, formerly of the Royal Naval Flying Corps and veteran of the Great War, is at the head of the company. With him in the city to-day is G. E. Jenkins, an Australian pilot.

The company has been operating a service out of Winnipeg during the last year, but owing to poor conditions in Winter were forced to suspend operations. It is thought that the Coast weather will permit an all-year-round service.

THREE SEAPLANES

The plans of the company call for three Boeing type seaplanes to make two trips to and from Victoria and Vancouver every day. The machines will be built in Vancouver, Mr. Jenkins declared to-day. One of them will be used for the transgulf trip, and the other two for taxi-work at Victoria and Vancouver.

According to a tentative schedule, the flying boat will leave Vancouver at 10 o'clock in the morning and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. The trip across will take fifty-five minutes, and about an hour will be spent at each point. Arrangements can be made by telephone for each trip.

Present plans of the company call for a start next March. It will take until that time to erect a base at each end and to construct the seaplanes, providing sufficient support is obtained. The flying boat will carry four passengers, and it is expected that arrangements will be made to carry special delivery freight for the concerns of individuals in both cities.

MARCH SET FOR INAUGURATION

Capt. Clark, the head of the Central Airways, has been connected with flying for a number of years. He was one of the naval aces during the war and has a number of decorations for his services. He did a great deal of patrol work for submarines in the north of Scotland, and has had many thrilling experiences in the air.

Mr. Jenkins has been a pilot for three years, taking his course in Australia. He has had considerable experience in commercial flying.

REORGANIZATION PLANNED

In this process the Public Works Department will rearrange the entire square to increase its beauty. To conform the design of the gardens more to the dignity of the buildings, artistically-shaped flower beds will be laid out at various points in addition to those in existence now. Experts of the Public Works Department will design the new scheme in accordance with the best traditions of landscape architecture.

The splendid collection of trees around the square, of course, will not be removed, but the new arrangement will make the grounds a riot of color in the blooming season will remain. One of the features to be maintained is the new arrangement of flower beds in the middle of the square, which is viewed with delight by tourists from all over the world as well as by residents.

TO START SOON

Work on this scheme will get under way without delay. First the lawn will be dug up and turned over and prepared for a new grass crop. Then the new arrangement of flower beds will be laid out and planted and the grass sown. Next Summer the whole appearance of Parliament Square will be changed and its beauty greatly enhanced.

PRAIRIE HORSE RACE BETTING INCREASED

But in All Canada 1926 Total Was \$5,500,000 Less Than in 1925

Ottawa, Dec. 8.—During the racetrack season of 1926 betting in the prairie provinces totaled \$6,683,862, an increase of \$779,044 over the previous year.

In all Canada the betting this year amounted to \$44,346,472, a decrease of over \$5,500,000 from last year.

In all cases on the prairie tracks larger amounts were wagered than in 1925, with the exception of Brandon and Lethbridge. The largest increase of the three provinces was in Alberta, the amount of the increase being \$1,415,918, or over 200 per cent. This increase is partially accounted for by the fact that the Chinook Jockey Club operated for the full fourteen days in 1926 as against only four days in 1925, while the new turf track at Cochrane was operated for the first time this season.

Big increases were also shown at the Victoria Park at Calgary and at Edmonton.

The total amounts wagered at the Alberta tracks were as follows: Chinook Jockey Club, \$931,750; Victoria Park, Calgary, \$737,630; Edmonton, \$225,868; Cochrane, \$181,684; Lethbridge, \$19,784.

Liquor Vote in Glasgow Leaves the Situation Unchanged

Glasgow, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press Cable)—The vote taken on local option in sixteen of Glasgow's thirty wards yesterday leaves things much as they were before.

Park Ward, a high-class residential district, voted for the repeal of the limitation of liquor licenses. This partial wet victory, however, is offset by the result of the vote in Pollokshaw, a large industrial centre, which voted for a reduction of one-fourth in the number of licenses.

The net result of the voting in the sixteen wards is that the "wet" wards have shown a decided preference for maintaining the status quo, while the "dry" wards which had had a limited number of licenses have maintained this policy by only the narrowest majority.

FORCES FIGHTING IN FOCHOOW REGION

Chang's Troops Retreating From Area Southern Chinese Control

Amoy, Dec. 8.—Unable to retreat after having been defeated in the effort to defend Foochow against the invading Southern Army, the troops of General Chang Yi, Northern Chinese, are attempting to fight their way out of that district.

In the last three days they have engaged forces favorable to the Cantonese and have pressed them back toward Pagoda, northeast of Foochow, inflicting a loss of 800 men.

The Chang forces are looting and burning many villages. Their casualties are not known here.

FOOCHOW SITUATION

The situation in Foochow remains unchanged, pending entry into the city of General Ho Yih-Ching, commander of the Cantonese forces, who is coming down the Yangtze River from Inghai. In the meantime the radical students who have been overrunning the city continue to threaten all who oppose them, and the civil government refuses to take office until the Cantonese army has arrived. The people are anxiously awaiting entry of the Southern troops. Business is being resumed, but the Chinese banks are still closed.

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Withey's Condensed Mince-meat, per pkt.	15¢
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C.M.C. ELECTION PROGRAMMES ARE AIDED AT MEETING

Eight Candidates Speak at Chamber of Commerce Last Night

Eight candidates running for civic office addressed ratepayers from the office of the Woodward meeting at the Chamber of Commerce rooms last night. Aldermen P. R. Brown, J. B. Clearthum, W. H. Cullin, J. A. Shanks, retiring members of the council standing for re-election, were joined by John Day, M. B. Wellburn and H. O. Litchfield, also seeking aldermanic office. Police Commissioner W. E. Staneland alone responded to the invitation extended to candidates at school board public board seats. H. H. Shandley presided.

ALD. P. R. BROWN
Alderman P. R. Brown recalled that he had now served four years as school trustee and two as alderman and chairman of the civic finance committee. The year 1926 had been the peak year of civic debt, and taxation reduction would become a marked factor in successful years, he said. He had every confidence in Roger D. Pinneo and the investigation now being carried on into all lines of industrial expansion. With public support this movement would perform a useful service for the city, and one that would be increasingly important, he said. If the city manager plan should pass he would use every effort to secure a man worthy of the office, though salaries from \$15,000 to \$20,000 were being paid for the work in other places, he warned. Alderman Brown closed by quoting figures for the various departments of civic government, showing steady advances made during the last few years.

ALD. W. H. CULLIN
Alderman W. H. Cullin said he would stand on his record of the last two years, to continue his services without fear or favor. He had shared in the work of the parks and other committees, and stood for efficiency with economy in all civic departments. In reference to salaries, he believed that the city should pay a fair day's wage for a fair day's work. The speaker said he was heartily

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Eagles' Marching Club—Tuesday dances cancelled.

Come to the Women's Educational Auxiliary Tea at Metropolitan Church Thursday, from 3 to 6. Enjoy a pleasant hour and learn more about the organization. Admission, including tea, 25¢.

S.O.S. Club Tea—A tea will be conducted by the "S.O.S." Club at the home of Mrs. Hannah Wall, 2146 Sprague Ridge, on Tuesday, December 10, from 3 to 5, being held to raise funds for Christmas Cheer for "Shut-ins." A good musical programme will be provided.

Tickets for the Nativity Play may be obtained at the door, Memorial Hall, Friday, December 10, at 5 p.m.

A Christmas Bazaar—Esquimalt subdivision of Catholic Women's League, Saturday, December 11, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., in the "Maryland" Government Street. Afternoon tea and supper. Games, novelties and attractions.

Come to the Women's Educational Auxiliary Tea at Metropolitan Church Thursday, from 3 to 6. Enjoy a pleasant hour and learn more about the organization. Admission, including tea, 25¢.

"Engaged by Wednesday"—A three-act farce, under the auspices of Axioms' Sunday school class, First United Church, Thursday, December 9, at 8:15 p.m., in the church hall. Admission 10¢. Proceeds in aid of Christmas hamper week.

Novelty umbrellas with rubberized cover. Carver's Umbrella Shop, 123 Fort Street.

New Winter Schedule to Gulf Islands, Effective Monday, November 8. The steamer Otter will leave Belleville Street wharf every Monday and Wednesday at 7:15 a.m. and every Thursday at 8 a.m. for Gulf Island points. The Princess Royal from Victoria every Tuesday at 11 a.m., calling at Port Washington, Ganges and Mayne Island en route to Vancouver.

Traveling to the Old Country? Canadian National Railways represent all trans-Atlantic steamship lines. Courteous and careful attention to all bookings.

Piano and Violin Recital by Reta Ormiston and Francis Grattan, at the New Thought Temple, Friday, December 10, 8:30 p.m. Tickets 50 cents, at Fletcher's and Willis Piano Company.

Chicken Lunch to-morrow at Kelway's, 50¢. Music.

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behind the movement initiated by the Mayor along the lines of industrial development.

With regard to the upkeep of parks, he said the athletic organizations of the city had an opportunity to make Royal Athletic Park a playground second to none, if they supported the city in what it was trying to do. The purchase of the Esquimalt waterworks had been a good investment, and one that would accrue to the benefit of the city to secure advantage yearly, he concluded.

JOHN DAY
John Day said that for the last ten years he had made "Industries" his slogan. He believed that as no man grumbled at the "income tax" when he made four times what there would be little fault finding with taxation if payrolls were present in sufficient numbers to influence the growth of the city. The speaker recalled shipyard days when Victoria, he said, experienced a practical relief from a ready flow of money paid out in the payrolls of the marine plant and H. O. Litchfield, who had experience as a sanitary engineer, continued Mr. Day, concluding that he would use his best endeavors to advance the city whether elected or not.

ALD. J. A. SHANKS
Alderman J. A. Shanks recalled that it was his efforts that retained the little white bear for Victoria, well known to the city. He was favorably for the motion picture industry here. Victoria was a natural site of a motion picture industry, and if one was started here it would work to the advancement of the city, as every picture sent out would advertise local scenes. Mr. Shanks concluded by saying that he had been in the city to the purchase of the Esquimalt waterworks, and took a share of the credit for the present woolen mill negotiations with British experts.

M. B. WELLBURN
The briefest appeal was made by M. B. Wellburn, standing for a council seat. The speaker said he was an optimist regarding Victoria and its future, and had been in business here for fourteen years. He elected he would do his best to serve the city faithfully, believing that Victoria had a real future and one well worth working for. He was in favor of continued economy on all expenditures as far as possible, until the taxation was brought down to a point where expansion and growth would result in natural and healthy conditions. He was strongly opposed to any interference with the Wednesday half-holiday at this time, and as a member of the executive of the Half-holiday Association took a keen interest in that phase of present day issues.

H. O. LITCHFIELD
Trustee H. O. Litchfield, standing for election to the council, recalled that he had spent four years on the school board, concluding this year with the chairmanship of the building and grounds committee. He endeavored to use every resource of his power for the benefit of Victoria children, and now was prepared to extend that service to the larger scope offered by aldermanic position. Victoria schools and school buildings led all B.C. in many respects, and that result had been due to the careful and careful attention to the matters in hand on the part of the trustees. The speaker concluded by stating that if elected he would use his best efforts to help in the program of industrial expansion now receiving attention.

ALD. J. B. CLEARHUE
Alderman Clearthum recalled that he had served the city for four years when a member of the council, and now completing two years on the council, in which time he had served on a large number of committees, including the chairmanship of the legislative committee. He believed in the policy of economy with efficiency, but warned his hearers that there were no magicians in public life. Any advance made by the city could only be through hard work on the part of its representatives, and by persistent and cheerful co-operation of its people. He concluded by saying that he would use his best efforts to help in the program of industrial expansion now receiving attention.

CMR. W. E. STANELAND
Police Commissioner W. E. Staneland spoke briefly. He said despite a temporary severance of the hands of the surrounding municipalities for his metropolitan police area plans he was confident that the scheme was worth reconsideration. It would save the area approximately \$20,000 a year, and give greater satisfaction at every turn. The regrading of police, he said, was a plan designed in the best interests of the force, and one that the officers themselves would realize as useful as time went on. Speaking of the present personnel of the city police, the commissioner paid a high tribute to Chief of Police Fry and his men, asking his hearers to disbelieve any rumors they might hear purporting to supply him with reactionary views in regard to the personnel of the department. He could see no valid reason why his re-election was opposed, concluded Commissioner Staneland, in asking support at the Thursday polls.

MISS MALKIN DIES IN VANCOUVER

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Miss Mary Isabella Malkin, sister of W. H. J. P. D. and J. F. Malkin, died here to-day at the age of sixty-nine. Miss Malkin came here with her brothers in 1895 from Burslem, England, where she was born.

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COMMONS TO HEAR SHORTER SPEECHES

Ottawa, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press).—The Government will undertake to have the rules of the House of Commons revised at the coming session. The intention, probably, will be announced in the speech from the Throne next Friday. The limitation of speeches, the dropping of obsolete rules and the general expediting of the work of the Commons will be among the proposed changes. It is quite possible some alterations will involve amendments to the British North America Act.

FORMER PROHIBITION CHIEF IS ON TRIAL

San Francisco Witnesses Say Ned Green Took Liquor For "Sick Friend"

San Francisco, Dec. 8.—An unidentified "sick friend" who required an extraordinary amount of alcoholic stimulants figured in the testimony of Government witnesses in the trial which began in the United States district court here yesterday, of Col. Ned Green, former prohibition administrator for Northern California and Nevada, charged with the embezzlement of liquor confiscated by the Government in enforcing the Volstead Act.

It was for this mysterious "sick friend," witnesses testified, that Col. Green, retired army officer, abstracted varying amounts of assorted liquors from the basement of the Sub-treasury Building, where confiscated liquors were stored, and even from his own office in the business district.

Harold M. Charlton, a prohibition enforcement agent, described what he said had been several instances where Col. Green, in the presence of Charlton and other prohibition agents, had removed bottles of liquor from the prohibition administrator's office. He said that on one occasion he had called Col. Green's attention to the fact that the bottle was carrying away bore a label designating it as evidence and that Col. Green, before pocketing the bottle, had scratched off the label.

DISLIKED DESTRUCTION

Charlton also testified that on another occasion, when Col. Green had helped himself to a quantity of confiscated liquor, he had remarked, "It's a shame to destroy good liquor," and "there are lots of sick persons in the city who ought to have liquor." The trial, which has aroused nationwide interest, is being conducted by United States Attorney George Haffield, Assistant United States Attorney for Northern California, and Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, Assistant United States Attorney General.

CHEYLESMORE SUIT OPENS IN ENGLAND
London, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press Cable).—In divorce proceedings begun by Lady Cheylesmore against her husband, the fourth Baron Cheylesmore, who owns a ranch at Happy Valley, Alta., judgment was given yesterday in Lady Cheylesmore's favor. Her decision means her divorce petition can now be heard in England.

Lord Merrivale, the judge who heard the petition, said yesterday he believed the lady's statement that "she had not been told that their departure to Canada with her husband meant her departure to a new home, the question of domicile being involved in the case."

The judge added that Lord Cheylesmore was fond of country life. This was not a case of an emigrant driven by force of circumstances, however, but quite the contrary, and ranching did not necessarily mean a severance of the country of origin.

For incurables at Hospital—The silver tea held at the home of Mrs. Wall, 2146 Sprague Ridge, yesterday, in aid of a fund for the benefit of the incurable patients in the Jubilee Hospital, proved a great success. \$18 being raised as a public subscription. Miss M. H. Humphries, together with a committee of ladies, will be in charge of the various departments.

RANCH HOUSE
In connection with the case, Lady Cheylesmore made an affidavit that the house on the ranch in Alberta was a "ranch house" and that it did not even contain a wash stand or any covering for the floors. She stated that her husband wanted to "get rid of her."

Capitalist Hon. Francis Ormond Henry Eaton, who succeeded to the title on the death of his father, the third Baron Cheylesmore, who was fatally injured in an automobile accident in July, 1925, when returning to London from Blaisy Camp at the conclusion of the annual Blaisy shoot, began suit against his wife for divorce in March, 1925, and five months later his wife began divorce proceedings in England.

In the trial in the divorce court here, which was presided over by Lord Merrivale, Lady Cheylesmore set up the defence that he was domiciled in Canada, not in England, but Lady Cheylesmore's counsel contended that the Canadian domicile had been advanced solely with the object of affecting the jurisdiction of the court in Lady Cheylesmore's suit.

COMPANY WITH DUNCAN FOLK

Expenditure in Keeping With Promise Made Satisfies Property Owners

Special to The Times

Duncan, Dec. 8.—The annual general meeting of the Duncan Property Owners' Protective Association was held on Monday evening in the Agricultural Hall, Duncan, the president, Kenneth F. Duncan, in the chair. The president gave a comprehensive report of the work which the association has done, and E. T. Cresswell presented the financial statement, which was satisfactory.

Mayor J. Islay Mutter addressed the meeting, and stated that the Duncan Utilities Company, which has taken the city's light and power plants has fully lived up to the promise to the city and has spent \$5,000 in improvements to the water mains, while the city still had the \$20,000 deposited as a guarantee for the performance of the initial part of their agreement.

The chairman brought forward a suggestion as to the beautifying of the residential section of the city of Duncan by the planting of ornamental trees, and this matter will be carefully looked into.

A letter was read from the Duncan Parent-teacher Association, as to the necessity of a public playground, but this was left over for the new executive to deal with.

The executive elected were: Mrs. J. I. Hird, Messrs. K. F. Duncan, A. H. Peterson, D. R. Hattie, G. H. Savage, A. C. Brown, A. J. Brownsey, W. L. B. Young, F. H. Price, and W. E. Corfield.

They will elect their own chairman at a subsequent meeting.

OFFICERS CHOSEN
At the annual general meeting of the Duncan Women's Conservative Club, Mrs. A. Day was elected president, Mrs. A. B. Anderson, secretary, and Mrs. J. A. Kyle, treasurer.

T.B. Veterans' Auxiliary—The Women's Auxiliary to the Tuberculosis Veterans will hold a special meeting Thursday at 2:30 in the Tuberculosis Veterans' clubrooms, corner Langley and Yates Street (upstairs). Final arrangements will be made for the tag day to be held on Saturday.

The Esquimalt Garrison Dance Club held its monthly dance for December last night in the Flies Court, Work Point Barracks, which was prettily decorated for the occasion. Over 200 members of the club were present, and the strains of Zala's orchestra from 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Supper was arranged in two sittings in the Warfara School. The committee is to be congratulated on the success of its efforts. The membership is continually increasing, and it is anticipated that the next dance will be staged early in January.

City Temple Bazaar—Under the auspices of the Ladies Aid of the City Temple, a bazaar and superfluities sale will be held on Saturday next in the store formerly occupied by Terry's Drug Store, at the corner of Douglas Street and Pandora Avenue. There will be a made-over stall, 25 cents stall, plain sewing stall, fancy-work, home cooking, home-made candy, lucky dip and a superfluities stall. Gifts for all of the stalls, and particularly for the superfluities stall, will be gratefully received and may be left on the Friday preceding the sale. A special feature for the men of the club will be a "men's" lunch, which will be served on Saturday, from 12 to 2. Afternoon tea will also be served from 3 o'clock. The store will open for business at 9 o'clock, Saturday morning.

For incurables at Hospital—The silver tea held at the home of Mrs. Wall, 2146 Sprague Ridge, yesterday, in aid of a fund for the benefit of the incurable patients in the Jubilee Hospital, proved a great success. \$18 being raised as a public subscription. Miss M. H. Humphries, together with a committee of ladies, will be in charge of the various departments.

Aged Women's Home—A full attendance of the members of the Aged and Infirm Women's Home committee of management met at the home on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Clay presiding. After routine business reports were received, which but one room was now vacant there, also that the health of several of the inmates was at present seriously impaired. Arrangements for the Christmas festivities were considered and left for the visiting committee to attend to. The committee is composed of Mrs. Sabiston, convener, Mrs. Heddle and Mrs. Clay. The following donations for November were gratefully received: Mrs. Bainbridge, pears and apples; St. Mary's Church, pears, fruit and vegetables; Mrs. Bond, apples; Women's Institute, Sausage, chickens and cake; Mrs. Shotbolt, fish; Mrs. Stewart, sick-room, comforts and books; Mrs. Macdonald, apples; Somers Brothers, wild ducks; Mr. Landsberg, nine post of jam; Mr. W. S. Chambers, gramophone records; Miss Gilling, wearing apparel; Mr. Newcomb, two boxes toilet soap; Mrs. Mustard and friends, magazines; Corner Flower Shop, Pollock Brothers, Mrs. Grant, flowers; Mrs. Quartermann, magazines; Mrs. Quigley, Mrs. L. B. Gould, apples and flowers.

Are there going to be any regrets tomorrow about that good meal you're all set to sit away tonight? Better take Sargent's. Any drug store. (Adv.)

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HACKETT WITNESS AT NARCOTIC TRIAL

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Paul Hackett, licensed mate and pilot, alleged to have been employed by a narcotic drug ring to captain its speed craft, took the centre of the stage when the Narcotic Drug Act conspiracy case involving three white men and three Orientals was resumed before Magistrate H. C. Shaw in the police court here yesterday afternoon.

Appearing as a prosecution witness, Hackett succeeded Verne A. Partlow, customs secret agent, on the witness stand. Partlow and Hackett are alleged to have handled the pickup and water transportation activities of the narcotic drug ring, which, it is charged, was composed of the six accused.

Those charged are Frank Marino, Dominic Marino, Dominic Cristof, Lin Coy Gim, Lee Sing and Wong Chong. All are at liberty on bail bonds of \$10,000 each. Hackett told of elaborate schemes for narcotic drug running on a large scale, involving the establishment of an island cache, a fleet of speed boats, and actual smuggling of the opium into Canada by means of a craft, which he alleged were described to him one day by "The Big Boss."

Hackett said that last July in Victoria he and Partlow met Frank Marino and Dominic Cristof. They went to the Outer Dock, where Marino was to show them the location of a "load" said to have been dropped from an Empress liner. A watchman's presence prevented close examination of the place, but Marino described the spot as "sixty feet out of the dock, and sixty feet in." This cryptic utterance which caused some amusement, was not definitely explained by the witness.

DRAWN HARBOR
That night, Partlow, Cristof and Hackett hired a rowboat and dragged the Outer Harbor, but found nothing. Having telephoned to Vancouver for more information, they went back to the task, dragging nearer the corner of the dock, and in the process, the witness, resulted in a heavy sack being brought from the bottom. The sack was anchored to a boom of logs, and Cristof went down while Partlow and Hackett got the M168 and loaded the sack of drugs.

On the trip to Vancouver, which was made in the light of that night, Hackett said he saw the contents of the sack. It consisted of a large number of tins. He identified a half-tin of opium as one of the tins. When the M168 arrived off Kitsilano Beach, Partlow took the narcotic drugs ashore while Hackett remained with the boat, said witness. On Partlow's return, they took the boat around to the immigration wharf. When this was done, Hackett said he telephoned Lin Gim, stating the "load" was ashore safely. Next day he met Frank Marino, who gave him two \$50 bills.

"On this occasion," Hackett said, "Marino told Partlow and I that Lin Gim had said there were a couple of lost loads at Victoria, about forty-nine or fifty tins, which if we recovered we would be paid \$1,000 for the job. There were also four or five shipments lost in Vancouver Harbor. If we recovered all these we would get \$10,000."

"Marino also complained there were only eighty-eight tins in the sack, Partlow said he had one at his house which he would return. He did so next day."

The next meeting of the party was in the basement of Charles Marino's home, said the witness. In addition to the witness and Partlow, Frank Marino and Lin Gim were present. They discussed ways and means of getting shipments after they were loaded overboard from the liners were discussed.

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GOVERNMENT ASKED TO BLANKET EAST WITH ADVERTISING

Cabinet Considers Plan to
Attract Settlers and Capital
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Grant of \$25,000 Urged to
Pay for Widespread Cam-
paign of Publicity

Eastern Canada will be blanketed with newspaper advertising descriptive of business opportunities in British Columbia, if the Provincial Government accepts the joint proposals of the Victoria and Vancouver Publicity Bureaus laid before the Cabinet Tuesday by heads of these organizations.

The Government was asked to vote \$25,000 for this work, every cent of it to be spent in actual advertising. All the overhead connected with correspondence arising out of the advertising would be borne by the two publicity bodies. Communications received here from people in Eastern Canada would be attended to by the bureaus, which maintain a large staffs for this work. In this way administrative expense would be reduced to a small minimum, it was explained.

CAPITAL NEEDED
British Columbia already is covering the Western States pretty fully with tourist advertising, the Government was told. It is highly desirable, however, that the Eastern Canadian field be exploited, and that Canadians be told in a striking and systematic way of the possibilities in this Province, the publicity men agreed. The advertising planned, they explained, would attract not only tourists, but capitalists and settlers.

The campaign proposed it was claimed, would bring an immediate return of the money invested in it, and indirectly would prove of incalculable value to the Province as a whole in attracting new people and new money.

Premier Oliver promised that these ideas would receive careful consideration by the Government.

Fred Cron, president, Brenton Brown, vice-president, and Commissioner C. H. Webster, represented the Greater Vancouver Publicity Bureau at the conference, presided by H. B. Ker, president, David Leeming and George I. Warren, secretary, attended on behalf of the Victoria Bureau.

B.C. LIQUOR EXPORT COMPANY DESTROYS BOOKS TO PROTECT ITS PURCHASERS IN THE U.S.

(Continued from page 1)

As far as he knew, said Mr. Swanson, none of the liquor was unloaded at the point of destination, but rather it was delivered at points along the Pacific Coast where the Consolidated Exporters had a market.

SECRETARY CALLED
William J. Levin, secretary of the Consolidated Exporters, was the next witness. Formerly, he said, he had been with the Consumers' Export Company.

"You have no general books of accounts prior to October 1, 1925," questioned Mr. Rowell.

"No," he replied.
"Why?"
"They were destroyed. I gave instructions to have them destroyed." The witness explained that ever since 1923 it had been the practice of the company to destroy these books and records. His own secretarial books, he said, were intact since the beginning.

VERY BULKY
In the minute book the management was given power to destroy records because they were "so bulky and still accumulating."

Mr. Levin said he thought "the nature of the business" was the reason for destruction of the records.

"What was the nature of the business that required destruction of the

books and records?" asked Mr. Rowell.

Mr. Levin said he thought the main reason was that information could be obtained from the books which might implicate customers of the company. "Not the executives?" he was asked. "No, the customers."

LARGE SALES
The sales of the company last year at all branches had amounted to about \$4,250,000, said Mr. Levin. The big volume of business was transacted in Vancouver, which amounted to about \$4,000,000 a year.

The association of the Consolidated Exporters with the United Distillers was the subject of questions put to Mr. Levin by Mr. Rowell. Counsel told the witness he was informed the United Distillers shipped its raw whisky across to Scotland, where it was bottled and reshipped from there as in transit liquor.

The witness said this information was probably correct.

BOURBON WHISKY
Robert Swanson, acting manager of the Consolidated Exporters of British Columbia, was recalled to the stand.

Examined by Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., Commission counsel, he said that at one time his organization had imported quite a lot of Bourbon whisky from the United States.

"Can you give me an estimate of the exports by motor car during the past few years?" asked Mr. Rowell. The witness replied he could not furnish the information, but the export by the vessels had been considerable.

Mr. Rowell said he was informed the value of the shipments for December, 1925, from the Consolidated was approximately \$269,000. For 1925, the shipments coastwise totaled 16,708 cases and 1919 barrels.

SHIP CHARTERS
Mr. Swanson said the Consolidated company sometimes chartered boats for the coastwise trade and at other times arranged for vessels to carry cargoes at so much a case.

Mr. Swanson stated no export entry was made for coastwise shipments. The liquor was exported to a point in Canada, and from there it was smuggled into the United States.

AGENTS IN U. S.
Mr. Rowell addressed a question to the witness in regard to the names of agents for the Consolidated Exporters in the United States.

Mr. Swanson said he did not want to get these men into trouble.

"You had better be just as frank as you were yesterday. You don't seem quite so frank," interjected Chairman J. T. Brown.

Mr. Rowell was going on with the question, but J. W. Pugh, counsel for the witness, intervened.

Mr. Swanson, he said, was under indictment for conspiracy in the United States. He should not be compelled to answer questions which might possibly implicate him in the United States courts.

QUESTION DROPPED
There was some discussion on the point, and Mr. Rowell did not press the question.

Counsel questioned Mr. Swanson regarding transit shipments. He read the witness some facts about the period these shipments had been held in sufficient warehouses at Vancouver. One shipment had been held over eight months, another more than three months and a great many had been held for shorter periods.

WITNESS FROM U.S.
Examination of Michael F. Malone, special agent of the Intelligence Bureau of the United States Treasury, now engaged in work on conspiracy cases and smuggling in San Francisco and Los Angeles produced some sensational evidence yesterday afternoon in regard to the liquor ship Chris Moeller.

Briefly summarized, Mr. Malone told the Commission he had been invited to become a partner in the purchase of the Chris Moeller cargo, that the liquor was to be brought down to near Monterey, off the California coast, and that from there it was to be smuggled into the United States by fast speed boats.

The mysterious Rodriguez, mentioned repeatedly by witnesses representing the shippers of liquor as the consignee at San Blas, Mexico, for which port the vessel cleared, found no place in the narration of Mr. Malone.

MET FAY
Mr. Malone declared under oath that in Los Angeles he had met Tom Fay, the salesman for the Sanitosa Refineries of British Columbia, who is wanted here for evidence but has failed to put in an appearance. Fay at that time, said Mr. Malone, was traveling under the name of James A. Cameron.

"What was he doing in Los Angeles?" asked Hon. N. W. Rowell, K.C., Commission counsel.

"He was arranging the financing of the cargo of the Chris Moeller," said Mr. Malone.

The witness told how he had been informed of the arrival of Fay, who picked him up in a motor car and went from the hotel where Fay was staying to where the disposal of the Chris Moeller cargo had been discussed. Malone, on that occasion had used the name of Martino. Fay, posing as Cameron, he said, had told him H. M. Morgan, the head of the Eastern freights, was waiting in San Francisco and wanted to get

away. There was, however, \$52,000 more needed to finance the deal, and Malone said he had been invited to go into it to the extent of \$15,000. He was to pay at the rate of \$13 a case for the liquor.

TEXADA TO HAVE STEAMER SERVICE
Boat Will be Run to Van And on Texada Island Two Days a Week

Following negotiations between the Victoria Chamber of Commerce and the British Columbia Coast Steamship Service, Victoria will soon have a semi-weekly connection by steamship with Texada Island. The new service will be inaugurated on December 14, when the Princess Royal will leave the city for Van And, the Texada Island port. Service will be continued every Wednesday and Saturday giving two trips a week to the island.

The Chamber of Commerce has long had the idea of the Texada Island service under consideration, the object being to aid in the development of the mineral resources of the island.

TREES, LIKE MEN, FIND THEIR DAYS ARE NUMBERED
Up to 62 to 80 Years of Age They Are Mostly Disease-free, Convention Told

The forestry experts of five states and one province, who are gathered here this week as members of the Western Forestry and Conservation Association, turned their session to a sort of clinic on tree health and diseases when Dr. J. J. Joyce and Dr. F. P. Keen of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, appeared with the results of their investigations on timber insects and diseases.

Dr. Joyce, speaking on the subject of putting to use the latest knowledge of timber diseases, discussed the reasons for the decay in Douglas fir along the coast, and described the various types of fungus responsible. He told how in one locality 170 mature Douglas firs, bearing from sound to completely merchantable timber, were felled, bucked and split open from end to end. Complete diagrams were made of each tree showing the relation of decay to all so-called indications on the outside of the tree. Detailed analysis of this data demonstrated that of the forty-five per cent of the total volume of these trees lost by decay, conkrot or red rot, caused by the ring-necked fungus, was responsible for thirty-nine per cent. The remainder was accounted for by heart rot, caused by the velvet-foot fungus.

YOUNG TREES FREE OF DISEASE
It is well known after observations that the young stage of seed and growth timber is relatively free from decay, but it is not known at just what age decay appears, and how rapidly it increases subsequently. Dr. Joyce went on.

Evidence adduced by Dr. Joyce was to the effect that in timber of from sixty-two to eighty years of age there was no evidence of decay. He also discussed the deterioration of fire-killed timber, and concluded that the safe procedure to be followed was to cut the trees rapidly as possible after the fire had occurred.

Dr. Joyce also discussed the deterioration of Western yellow pine slash and his conclusion was that the deterioration took place more rapidly in the debris than it was left on the ground as it fell, than when it was piled and slashed.

Rutledge Packer, of Montana; Ben E. Buehler, of Idaho; George C. Joy, of Washington; F. A. Elliott, of Oregon and M. H. Pratt, of California, led in the discussion of timber legislation proposed and likely to come up at the next sessions.

REFORESTATION METHODS ARGUED
J. H. Walker, of Oregon; F. A. Elliott, state forester of Oregon; Alex. Pilon, of Gray's Harbor; T. T. Munger, director of the Northwest Forest Experimental Station; Swift Berry of California; N. G. Jacobson and President A. W. Baird took part in the discussion of artificial and natural reforestation.

The convention will conclude Thursday.

DIAGONAL TUCKS
Diagonal tucking is one of the favorite trimmings for wool crepe de Chine dresses.

OVERNIGHT ENTRIES AT TIA JUANA

First race—Five furlongs:	105
Georgia S.	94
Tavernier	94
Fort Wayne	99
Tennessee	99
Tuxedo Sam	106
Running Line	106
Hoodcrack	111
Second race—Five and one-half furlongs:	
Japidee	104
Miss Ida	109
Silverstate	109
All Mum	104
Yorkshire Maid	107
Little Smoke	110
Golden Red	112
Ormebrook	112
Douglas H. Johnston	112
Third race—Five and one-half furlongs:	
Holly Girls	104
Belle K.	107
False Alarm	107
Dumbfounder	107
Full Moon	107
Billy Watts	107
L'etang	109
Belle Wood	112
Smart Horse	112
Fourth race—One mile:	
Miss Eucene	96
Bunbury	90
Hamp	101
Quebec	101
Wood-Lady	105
Malvern	105
Fretax	105
Preserver	106
Wracklane	106
Au Revolt	106
Dustproof	106
London Smoke	106
Mr. Pat	110
Fifth race—Four and one-half furlongs:	
Harry III.	96
Apex	97
Cleg	100
Queen Anna Marie	102
Bessie Hope	105
Our Beth	106
Don K.	109
Oranvale	111
A. Lester	114
Sixth race—One mile:	
Green Hills	100
Bank Jr.	103
Sister Josella	105
Pence	105
McChirino	105
Hyperion	105
Isauman	110
Seventh race—Seven furlongs:	
Lady Inez	107
Wine	107
Tanson	107
Jago	107
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ELECTION TO-DAY IN TERMINAL CITY

Vancouver, Dec. 8.—Vancouver's civic election campaign, one of the quietest in several years, closed Tuesday evening with most candidates closed in their committee rooms perfecting the organization to bring out their respective supporters to the polls to-day.

Mayor L. D. Taylor and Alderman G. H. Worthington are the two chief candidates for the mayoralty, which the winner will occupy for two years under a recent change in the civic charter.

"This is typical Taylor weather, there can be no doubt as to the result now," asserted Mayor Taylor when the sun burst through the fog in the middle of the forenoon, dispelling the gloom which had settled on the city in the early hours.

CONFIDENCE EXPRESSED
Equal confidence in the result was expressed by Worthington. "We have won already," he declared to a campaign worker as he was making the rounds of the booths.

Louis Rubinowitz, the city pioneer, is the third mayoralty candidate. William McQueen, chief returning officer, kept constantly on the move, making the rounds of the polling stations. He reported the election machinery was working smoothly.

A tense atmosphere was in evidence at some of the Ward Three polling stations where double batteries of scrutineers are making every possible effort to detect plugging or illegal voting of any kind.

VETERANS MEET IN NEW CLUB QUARTERS
The tuberculous post of the Canadian Legion British Empire Service League held a special meeting in the new club quarters at Yates and Langley Streets, last night with President E. Kean in the chair. The gathering was well attended and various matters of importance were dealt with including the question of a delegate to represent the local unit at the Canadian Legion Convention which will begin in Winnipeg on January 28. It has been decided, however, that all tuberculous delegates will assemble in conference two days preceding the general convention in order to formulate definite plans which will be submitted to the larger body for approval. The meeting unanimously decided to be represented by the best delegate available who will be appointed immediately after the agenda has been drafted for his perusal.

The question of the fifth annual ball to be held on December 15, was discussed, and while it is observed that other such events are arranged to take place during this period, it was thought that the ball will be an outstanding success.

The election of officers resulted as follows: Hon. President, W. C. Nichol; Hon. Vice-president, Dr. Cyril Wace; chaplain, Rev. P. L. Stephenson; president, H. R. Dawe; secretary-treasurer, T. Harrison; Dominion representative, R. Smith. Five members were also appointed to serve on the executive. A vote of thanks was tendered the retiring officers and executive.

GREAT LAKES ICE BLOCKADE BROKEN

(Continued from page 1)

"This is the busiest shipping period of the season," Mr. Enderby said, "and the winter Atlantic ports of St. John and Halifax depend on the transportation of Canada's crop from the head of the lakes to the Erie Georgian Bay ports or Lake Erie elevators and attract a large volume of tramp and liner tonnage to their respective ports."

10,000,000 BUSHELS
Forty boats, all loaded with grain, were due in Georgian Bay ports, Mr. Enderby declared. These steamers should unload their 10,000,000 bushels of wheat, but the delivery of this was being jeopardized by the presence of the ice field.

Appeals had been made by steamship companies to the Government for assistance, Mr. Enderby said, but these had met with no response.

ICE IN ST. LAWRENCE
Montreal, Dec. 8.—Twenty-two vessels are in danger of being caught in the St. Lawrence for the winter, besides coastal craft. Navigation was at a standstill between Montreal and Quebec to-day, except for the movements of icebreakers. Ice was reported packed 300 miles below Quebec. Shipping men say they have not seen such conditions come so early or so suddenly in twenty years.

The weather has turned milder, but it is believed a week of higher temperatures is needed to alleviate the situation.

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SHOULD BE A BIG VOTE

STATISTICS MADE PUBLIC AT THE City Hall yesterday should cause the electors of this community to think seriously about their obligation to go to the polls and cast their ballots to-morrow. These figures show that about 15,000 persons in this municipality could exercise their franchise providing they first of all had registered according to legal requirement, that only about 10,000 out of this number have complied with that requirement, and that the average number who go to the polls and cast a vote is less than thirty per cent.

This revelation of public apathy towards one of the most important matters in the life of this community is not the best form of advertisement. It does not follow because only just a little more than 3,000 persons voted at the municipal elections in 1925 that the city of Victoria got a poor government. On the contrary, it was extremely fortunate in this respect, for those who have filled the various public offices during the term which now has nearly ended have discharged their duties in an efficient manner. But it does suggest that if double the number had gone to the polls last year, the Mayor and Council would have felt that they had just that much more support behind their efforts. The interest which is represented by the casting of a ballot is of more value to the public official than many people imagine.

Mayor Pendray already has announced that his policy for the coming year will be one of industrial expansion; but he also has pointed out that he will require more assistance from the 1926 Council than he felt he could draw this year. On this account, if on no other, it is necessary that the electorate show its interest in this programme by turning out in large numbers to-morrow in order that the men selected for the aldermanic board may feel that the great body of public opinion in Victoria is heartily behind the Mayor's policy.

THE SESSION

PREMIER MACKENZIE KING WILL meet Parliament to-morrow with the knowledge that he will be able to command all the support he requires to finish the legislation which had to be shelved last June and to introduce a programme of other progressive measures promised during the election campaign.

Of special importance to many people will be the measure to provide old age pensions. This was among the legislation which went by the board. Of greater interest, however, is the forecast of further reductions in taxation, for it will be remembered that both the Prime Minister and Minister of Finance Robb promised the electorate that if it would once more place the business of the country in the hands of an administration headed by Mr. Mackenzie King, further relief would be given in the next budget.

The Speech from the Throne will naturally set forth in a brief form the story of the Imperial Conference and the part which the representatives of Canada played in the discussions. Little new will be added to what already has been related in the newspapers of the country; but Mr. King will follow the customary procedure in this respect, since such action as may be necessary to deal with matters arising out of the conference that touch Canada's interests will have to be taken by Parliament.

It is suggested that the King's speech also will note that Canada has invited the Prince of Wales and Mr. Baldwin to visit the Dominion next year on the occasion of the sixtieth birthday of Canadian Confederation. Other matters mentioned include legislation that will implement some of the recommendations contained in the report of the Commission on Maritime Rights, while a new programme of branch lines for the Canadian National Railways also is looked for.

In view of the announcement recently made by Hon. Hugh Guthrie, House leader for the Conservative Party, there is not likely to be a repetition of the tactics employed at the first session of the last Parliament, when Mr. Meighen obstructed from the start. Mr. Guthrie, it will be remembered, said he and his party would not obstruct. They would be foolish if they did.

A PREDICTION COMING TRUE

IF LORD BIRKENHEAD IMAGINES HE has scored a point over Mr. Lloyd George by denouncing him for his speech of sympathy with the Chinese in their present struggle towards national reliance and independence, he is assuredly satisfied with very little.

The former Prime Minister made no rash statements. He said the Chinese were struggling for their fundamental rights. He also said he did not believe that the chaos now existing had been produced by the

activities of "reds." What else is the object of the Cantonese if their activities do not represent a struggle for their fundamental rights? The origin and conduct of their campaign to get what they want may not be according to the exact formula embodied in the rules for countries attending to the little matter of self-determination. But their problem is a Chinese problem and there is plenty of evidence to suggest that unless it shall be disposed of in a Chinese way, it will not be disposed of at all.

Mr. Lloyd George speaks for a very large section of the British public when he deprecates the familiar Tory demand for drastic measures to enforce what some imagine, to be the rights of this or that foreign country interested in the "government" of China. China needs help in many ways and it would seem to be to the advantage of other powers to give her that help rather than embark upon new campaigns of domination in the hope that the solution of the problem lies that way.

There is nothing surprising in China's awakening or in the manner of it. It has been predicted for years. Nothing on earth can stop 400,000,000 people from accomplishing what they set out to accomplish. Help them to their objective and there should be much more profit in it for the foreigner than there is by taking what after all does not really belong to him.

WHY CHANGE?

TWO OR THREE POINTS SHOULD BE borne in mind by the voters of Victoria to-morrow when they are asked to say whether they would prefer a city manager-form of government or whether they would prefer to retain the present system.

In the first place the financial condition of this city at the present time is more satisfactory than it has been for years.

In the second place it should be remembered that taxation has been reduced each year for the last three years and that a surplus in hand will permit of further reductions when the 1927 budget is presented to the Council.

In the third place it is worth noting that the city has borrowed less from the bank this year than ever before and that the amount turned into the civic treasury by way of pre-paid taxes was considerably more than last year.

These important points should be considered by the voters. They should ask themselves if the city manager system could have produced more satisfactory results. The Times thinks that nothing is to be gained by changing the system.

WHAT OTHER PAPERS SAY

WAR ON SHARKS
From The Los Angeles Times

Americans are interested in a company that has been granted a concession for the commercial killing of all the sharks off the coast of Cuba. These scaly terrors are so thick that other fish are being driven away and a sea industry harmed. The skin of the shark makes a desirable and highly valuable leather that may be used for many purposes. The fins are sold to Chinese restaurants, where they are held as a delicacy. Another American company has contracted for all the oil to be used in medicine and paints. What is left may be made into fertilizer or poultry food. Nothing is wasted except the appetite. It would be a fine thing if some of our financial sharks could be worked over as thoroughly and painstakingly as all this.

Queer Quirks of Nature

By ARTHUR N. PACK

The common nuthatch, from his color and habit of creeping about on the branches and trunks of trees, is often mistaken for a small woodpecker, but he has so many characteristics of his own that this is undeserved. With his black crown and bluish back he is unlike any woodpecker, and he well deserves that all should know him for what he is.

All our friends among the birds have their definite lines of work. The woodpecker digs out and devours those strong-jawed larvae which bore their way into the tissues of the trees.

The nuthatch, however, though he sometimes detects and removes these pests, joins with the chickadees and the creepers in specializing on insects which hide away in crannies of the bark.

He is particularly adept in traversing his field upside-down, and by this power puts one over on all his bark-hunting friends. Another common habit of the nuthatch is to take an acorn and wedge it into a cleft of bark so it will not roll, and hammer it with his strong beak until he has broken the shell.

He is fond both of the kernel and of any insects living within. Some think that this nut-hacking habit has given the bird his common name as he creeps about over the bark of the trees, up or down or sideways, he repeats his cheery nasal note, "Yank, yank, yank."

This announces him, for it is unlike the note of any other of our birds.

A piece of nut tied to the trunk of a small tree will encourage Mr. and Mrs. Nuthatch to remain all winter on our home grounds.

A THOUGHT

Behold the nations are as a drop in the bucket, and are counted as the small dust in the balance.—Isa. xli 15.

O how much greater is the soul of one man than the vicissitudes of the whole globe!—Bulwer-Lytton.

Do You Mean What You Say?

"ON THE ROCKS"



"ON THE ROCKS"

The phrase, "on the rocks," meaning "penniless," or "stony broke," comes to us from the sea. A ship that is "on the rocks" will quickly go to pieces unless it can be pulled loose. So will a man. "Rock bottom," a similar expression, means that one has reached the end of his resources and faces ruin.

Canadian Questions and Answers

CANADA'S TELEGRAPH BILL

Q.—What was Canada's telegraph bill in 1925?

A.—Canada's telegraph bill was \$11,820,323 in 1925, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. A total of 11,434,834 telegrams were transmitted during the year, or more than one for every man, woman and child in the Dominion. Messages received from the United States numbered 2,747,324. Cablegrams despatched to England and continental Europe totaled 324,038 while those received in return amounted to 5,178,533.

The WEATHER
Daily Bulletin Prepared by the
Weather Department

Victoria, Dec. 8.—5 a.m.—The barometer is abnormally high over this Province and fine, mild weather prevails on the coast. Clear, moderately cold weather continues in the prairies.

Reports
Victoria—Barometer, 30.58; temperature, maximum yesterday, 39; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, trace; weather, cloudy.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.52; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 34; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, 1.5; weather, clear.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.52; temperature, maximum yesterday, 46; minimum, 34; wind, calm; snow, trace; weather, clear.

Barkerville—Barometer, 30.44; temperature, maximum yesterday, 39; minimum, 24; wind, calm; snow, 1.2; weather, fair.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.40; temperature, maximum yesterday, 43; minimum, 46; wind, 24 miles S.E.; rain, 1.5; weather, cloudy.

Kesteven Point—Barometer, 30.52; temperature, maximum yesterday, 50; minimum, 42; wind, 4 miles E.; rain, .01; weather, clear.

Tatooch—Barometer, 30.54; temperature, maximum yesterday, 57; minimum, 46; wind, 6 miles S.E.; rain, 1.6; weather, clear.

Portland, Ore.—Barometer, 30.48; temperature, maximum yesterday, 48; minimum, 44; wind, 4 miles N.W.; weather, cloudy.

Seattle—Barometer, 30.52; temperature, maximum yesterday, 44; minimum, 42; wind, 2 miles N.E.; rain, .02; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.09; temperature, maximum yesterday, 64; minimum, 56; wind, 4 miles N.E.; weather, clear.

Grand Forks—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 34; snow, 1.

Nelson—Temperature, maximum yesterday, 33; snow, 1.

Calgary—Temperature, minimum yesterday, 24; snow, trace.

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Other People's Views
Letters addressed to the Editor and intended for publication must be short and to the point. The longer the letter, the more chance of insertion. All communications must bear the name and address of the writer, but not necessarily the name of the publication. The publication of letters is at the discretion of the Editor. No responsibility is assumed by the paper for letters sent to the Editor.

NO MUSSOLINI

To the Editor:—Re City Manager. It would appear that many do not see the full value of a dictator. The question is, are we to have a Mussolini in Victoria? Now, Mr. Editor, there is a very simple solution, and it is this: First elect the mayor and aldermen without remuneration and then after the next election the voters elect a council of those aldermen elected and so on each year thereafter.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.

CITY ELECTORS

To the Editor:—Now that we are in the throes of another civic election I think it opportune to enter a protest against mass voting for aldermen in a city of this size. In spite of all objections to the ward system I hold that in a city of 40,000 people it is the only proper and logical method of conducting civic business. If I am in a ward represented by a single alderman, the chances are that I shall have a good idea for whom I am voting, and moreover if anything seems wrong within my ward throughout the year I have a specified representative to whom I have a right to take my complaint. To-morrow I am supposed to go to the polls and vote for five aldermen, three being elected. After all, I am only two of whom I have any personal knowledge. How is it possible

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that I can vote intelligently on their different qualifications? Like the great mass of the voters I am forced to go to it blind if I wish to exercise the full extent of my suffrage. This hokus bokus style of election may be all right in a small town where the personalities of all candidates can be discussed over the backyard fence, but there is a point at which its usefulness ceases. One can scarcely imagine the Dominion or the Province voting en masse for 25 or 30 representatives out of that what we are trying to do on a small scale here. It is time for this city to get back to the ward system with its individual representation of different areas.

JAY RM.
Victoria, B.C., December 8, 1926.

DID NOT SIGN

To the Editor:—There has appeared in the press a statement issued by the B.C. Agricultural Association, dealing with matters of current controversy. The public is informed that the statement is signed by all members of the executive of the B.C. Agricultural Association. I wish to say that I am a member of the executive of the B.C. Agricultural Association, and that I did not sign the statement in question. I have also reason to believe that the statement was not signed by Alderman Gullin and Alderman Shanks, two other members of the executive. I am personally supporting the candidature of Alderman Woodward in the present election.

A. C. DEMAR.
City Hall, Victoria, B.C., December 8, 1926.

OLD AGE PENSION

To the Editor:—I wish you would allow me a small space in your paper to explain a plan I have for the benefit of those who are entitled to the pension. It is this: At the Old Men's Home there are two acres or more lying vacant. Now, let a contract be given for building two rows of cabins, say 16x20 ft. each, with cook stove, bedstead, table and two chairs, and a small wood-shed behind the cabin. Let the cost be \$4 a month, including light and water, the tenant supplying the rest. These men would be able to do their own chores and would be more contented with their lot. The city would save the city quite a sum as half of the men in the Home would take advantage of it. The sum saved would go to pay for themselves.

SERGEANT G. M. BLACK.
"Penial Road Veteran."
Victoria, B.C., December 7, 1926.

THEN AND NOW

To the Editor:—In looking through some old cuttings I came across the enclosed and it strikes me that in view of the marvelous development of our great West since this was printed several years ago, it might interest some of your readers if it was reprinted at this date.

COLONEL J. PETERS.
Per T. G. Peters, Ashburn, 423 Peters Street, Esquimalt, B.C., November 30, 1926.

A UNIQUE PUBLICATION

Dr. Silas Alward, K.C., of St. John, N.B., has issued a pamphlet that is unique in its way. Thirty years ago Dr. Alward visited the West, and while he was here he delivered a lecture entitled "Our Western Heritage." It was regarded at that time as a very valuable presentation of an exceedingly important subject, and it was certainly an appreciative description of the possibilities of Western Canada and a glowing forecast of its future.

Last February Dr. Alward delivered another lecture, this time entitled "Thirty Years After," and in it he tells of what has been accomplished during the three decades. The two lectures are printed in a pamphlet, which is interesting reading from beginning to end. In the second one he quotes an article that appeared in London Truth in October, 1881, when the Canadian Pacific Syndicate were seeking to float a loan of \$10,000,000. It is worth reproducing in order to show how some people in the United Kingdom looked upon Canada at that time.

"The Canadian Pacific Railway will run, if ever finished, through a country frost-bound for eight months of the year, and one about as forbidding as anything on the face of the earth. British Columbia is barren, mountainous—not worth keeping. Fifty railways would not galvanize it into prosperity. The Canadians are not such idiots as to part with one dollar of their own for this scheme, they come to England. Canadians know that the road will never yield a single red cent of the money sunk into it. People cannot stand the cold of Manitoba. Men and cattle are frozen to death in astonishing numbers. Manitoba's street nuisances kill the people with malaria, or drive them mad with plagues of insects. It is through a death-dealing land of this kind that the railway is to run. Canada is one of the most over-rated colonies we have. Ontario is the only sound province, and the only one where you can lend money and ever hope to see it back. One of these days Ontario is certain to go over to the States; when that day comes, the Dominion will be swamped. The Province and City of Quebec are both notoriously bankrupt. Once the country is thoroughly committed to this railway, I see nothing but bankruptcy ahead of it. This Dominion, in short, is a fraud, and bound to burst up like any other fraud."

It is almost inconceivable that such ideas should have been entertained only less than thirty years ago. They were not due to a lack of means of learning the truth, but are explained on the ground that at that time people refused to believe that the Dominion could be what explorers said it was. It is a fraud, and bound to burst up like any other fraud.

about that time Professor Macoun stated to a committee of the House of Commons at Ottawa, that cattle would thrive at Calgary, only to have his statement greeted with hilarity. Dr. Alward has done well to present his observations to the public in the form of such an interesting pamphlet.

M.P.'S TO DISCUSS
NEW EMPIRE PLANS

Premier King Expects Parliament to Devote Days to Imperial Conference

New York, Dec. 8.—Premier King, who arrived here yesterday on the liner Majestic on his way to Ottawa from London, where he attended the Imperial Conference, said he was very pleased with the results of the conference, whose recommendations had been unanimously adopted. Beyond this he declined to discuss the work of the conference, reserving his remarks for the record of Parliament, which is to meet in Ottawa to-morrow. He said he expected several days would be devoted to the discussion of the resolutions of the conference.

LAPOINTE RETURNS

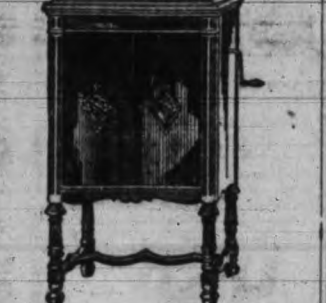
Mr. King proceeded from here to Ottawa.

Members of the party who arrived here on the ship with Premier King were Hon. Ernest Lapointe, Minister of Justice, Hon. Vincent Massey, newly-appointed Canadian Minister to the United States, Prof. G. B. Skelton, councillor of the Department of External Affairs of Canada, and Dr. A. G. Doughty, Dominion Archivist.

Mr. Massey was reticent. He had nothing to say now regarding his plans for taking over the machinery which will handle relations between Canada and the United States. "But I will have something to say when I return from Canada in a few weeks," he added. "I am anxious to get established as quickly as possible and am looking forward to



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LEADING FIGURES
Montreal, Dec. 8.—The two most outstanding figures at the Imperial Conference were Premier King and Hon. Ernest Lapointe, stated Premier Taschereau of Quebec, in an address here before the Reform Club.

Mr. Taschereau, who had just returned from a two-month trip to Europe, said his chief impression was that the rest of the Empire wanted to know what Canada was saying, doing, and above all, thinking.

"Engaged by Wednesday"—A three-act farce, under the auspices of Axioms' Sunday school class, First United Church, Thursday, December 9, at 8.15 p.m., in the church hall. Admission 25c. Proceeds in aid of Christmas hamper week.

Annual Meeting of Gordon Head Fruit Growers on Friday

Rev. Montague Bruce, president of the Saanich Board of Trade, will give an address on "Marketing" at the annual meeting of the Gordon Head Fruit Growers Association, which will be held here Friday at 8 p.m. in the Gordon Head Hall. General business will include the submission of the report, the auditor's report and the election of officers for 1927. Final payment will also be made on outstanding loganberries, as paying for the fruit is considered.

During the year there has been steady production in the district. Ten crates of strawberries were handled in addition to 110 tons



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RUN YOUR HOME SMOOTHLY, ADVISE TO HOUSEWIVES

System is Oil That Keeps
Complex Mechanism With-
out Friction

Whether There Are Servants
or Not, House Should
Always be Tidy

Have you ever gone to a home in which you suddenly thought, "Persis Standish writes, 'Why am I so uncomfortable?' All around you is neatness and order. The furniture and the decorations may be in impeccable taste, neither too lavish nor too modest, the service may be excellent, the dinner good, and the conversation friendly and yet you have the feeling of a child on a stiff stool while the minister calls. You cannot analyze what it is, that makes you wish you were elsewhere, but you resolve solemnly never to return again. And you contrast this home in your mind with the sweet little apartment, servitude and modest, of your friend, Mrs. Blank, where you go in the afternoon hoping and pray-

ing you'll be asked to stay for dinner. The answer to this feeling, could it be analyzed, would only come after investigation. Whenever I experience it myself, I suspect that it is a house like one of which I know and which always gives me an uncomfortable feeling when I am forced to go to a party there. You see, I have been behind the scenes.

This is the story. All the order and the pomp and the circumstance are extra special provision for the occasion. Should you drop in casually, or should you be forced to visit for several days, you would get to know the horrible truth. The order has been established late the afternoon of the party by frantic dusting and straightening and cleaning by the mistress and her staff. The furniture is good because a reputable decorator, knowing something of his client, wisely put in indestructible things. The dinner is good, because the caterer, who has been hired for the occasion, was recommended not long before the party by another hostess.

IF YOU HAD DROPPED IN
If you had dropped into the living room by mistake the night before the party you would have seen anything from the mistress's mules, to-day before yesterday's paper, scattered about. The flowers in the vases would have been bidding good-by to this life and whiskers of dust would have been visible under the davenport. Fortunately, nobody dropped in. The unfortunate who comes to visit for a few days has somebody rush upstairs in front of her at bed time to put clean sheets on the bed. She finds herself naked and snuggles in

the bathroom, penless and paperless in the library, learns that the cook has only been two weeks in her place, that meals are apt to be any time, and that when there is a party in her honor, a little interruption in the grand tumult, like the eruption of Vesuvius, would scarcely be noticed.

All these dreadful things catalogued above are the result of thinking that etiquette should be pulled out of the book shelf only for occasional use, whereas it is as important a daily requisite as salt or water. No household can be run without it, unless one wants to hear the mechanism creak when one is giving a party.

Whether you have a staff of servants or whether you do your own work, there is a certain household etiquette that must come as natural to you as your breathing. Whether you live in a country house or a kitchenette apartment, you are its chateau, and certain relations exist between you and your social world. You are the ambassador of your home to the world at large and you can woefully misrepresent your spirituality by slighting small things in your daily life.

NEATNESS IS ESSENTIAL
First of all, whether you keep servants or whether you do not, your house should always be in a condition to receive visitors. If a servant opens the door, she should be neatly clad in uniform. If you open the door, or whatever it was you were doing when they came.

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ask them to remove their coats, and then at least have a semblance of composure, even though you be dying to get back to that book, or the radio, or whatever it was you were doing when they came.

I do not mean by this that you need always be at home. If you do not wish to see people do not open your door, or instruct your servant to say that you are not at home.

The families that are happiest and most contented are the ones who make quite a ceremony of meals. I knew a woman once who had eight children, and each of the eight were apt to have visitors at various times. Sometimes these times conflicted and the table would have to be enlarged to hold as many as sixteen or twenty, but there was always charm and laughter on these occasions, because it was a rule of the house that the hatchet should be buried and all unpleasant subjects taboo at meal time. Although it may sound paradoxical, it is easier to have festivity at meals in a large household than in a small one, but even young housewives will find it worth while to serve meals as nicely and attractively as possible.

Dinner time especially is conducive to conversation and sociability and should be made the most homelike part of the day. If a stranger drops in, no matter how simple the meal, the housewife need not feel ashamed if it is prettily served. A crust of bread and a glass of milk charmingly given are more satisfying than a "stung" banquet.

NO APOLOGIES NEEDED

One need never apologise for anything but dirt and disorder, and of course there's no need for either of these. The most obvious of all social pests is the person who invites you to share an impromptu meal and then scours your bread with continual apology. In order to have a house that is capable of welcoming visitors at all times there must be some system to the work. There must be co-operation between mistress and maid and mutual consideration. Do not allow your servants to be slovenly Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and then expect them to acquit themselves with honor at a party on Saturday night. The wise housekeeper chooses her servants carefully and after she has chosen them treats them like human beings. Very little different from herself.

A great deal of preparation need not be made to entertain a house guest if the household is in the habit of running smoothly before her arrival, and the same is true of entertaining a number of guests at dinner or luncheon. To be sure, the hostess should not choose cleaning day or wash day on which to give her biggest parties if she has a small staff, but neither should she expect the servants to get a big dinner after having served twenty people at tea. I know a woman who, with her own maid and the help of a caterer, gives matchless dinners, but it is mostly because she manages the combination of simple food, efficient services, real hospitality and small parties.

CONCERT ENJOYED AT PENDER ISLAND

Pender Island, Dec. 7.—The concert which was given by the three Victoria lady artists in the Hope Bay hall on Tuesday evening of last week, was very much enjoyed by those who availed themselves of the opportunity of hearing a first class programme. Miss Dorothy Hicks, Miss Ida New and Mrs. C. C. Wain were all in excellent form, and each was heartily applauded.

H. B. Harris of Victoria, is on the island for a week or two on business.

The junior members of the Young People's Society arranged a very interesting debate for last Friday evening, the subject being: "Resolved, that poultry raising is more profitable locally than dairying." The affirmative won, those supporting this side being Miss Edith Bowerman, Masters George Logan and Jack Palmer, while Masters Jimmy Kintner and Dick Simpson, and Miss Mae Bowerman were lined up on the negative.

Arthur Bowerman have been ill with a severe cold for the past two weeks.

ANTI-LIQUOR DRIVE

Seattle, Dec. 8.—Myron Jacobson, pianist and instructor at the Cornish School of Music here, and G. H. Wotten were arrested yesterday in a drive by federal prohibition agents against drinking liquor in public places. Assistant Prohibition Administrator Whitney declared every effort would be made to stop patronage of places where liquor was sold.



Keating

Keating, Dec. 7.—The first meeting for the month of December was held by the Young People's Club of



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the South Saanich United Church on Monday evening, with the president, Miss Christie MacNab, in the chair. One new member and several visitors were welcomed. An interesting item of the business meeting was the reading of the report and financial statement by the secretary, Miss Ida Heyer of the recent successful play, "All On Account of Polly" which was produced at Keating, Sidney and Royal Oak, by the club members. Half of the proceeds from Royal Oak will be retained by the Royal Oak School, while the church board at Sidney receives half from that district. A most encouraging sum was cleared. The secretary was instructed to write letters of thanks to the assisting musicians. The club has accepted a challenge to a debate early in the new year with a team from the Sidney Young People's Club. Miss Kathleen Pinder and Messrs. W. Fawcett and W. Hawkes were appointed to represent South Saanich on the debate. The committee reported that work was being carried on in clearing the land for the proposed tennis court at the rear of the church. The programme was in charge of Miss Alma Heyer, intellectual convenor, and the speaker for the evening was the pastor, Rev. M. W. Lees. Mr. Lees chose as his subject, "Reading," and expressed a number of excellent thoughts as to how and what to read, the address proving very interesting to the young people.

The next meeting on December 30, will be the annual meeting and election of officers. Following the business the evening will be in charge of the social committee, Misses Blanche Sherring, Iola Lawrie and Margaret Michell.

The Saanichton Athletic Association will hold the fortnightly card tournament in the Agricultural Hall, Saanichton, on Saturday evening, December 11.

TWO WERE DROWNED

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Thursday night from Minneapolis to
claim the body of his relative.

BEEES KILLED HORSES

Winnipeg, Dec. 8.—Claiming a team
of horses valued at \$200 met death
when stung by swarms of bees, two
farmers of Grand Pointe, Man., have
started suit against Fred Chivers of
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CLUB COMMENDED FOR ITS ACTIVITY

Graham Spry Tells Members of Movement; Fine Programme at Reception

Graham Spry, the recently-appointed traveling secretary of the Association of Canadian Clubs, told the women yesterday something of the movement and the part it played in ce-

The speaker cited the reasons for the need of such an organization as the Canadian Club, dealing with them under four heads: geographic; racial; the place of Canada in the British Empire; and the influence of the friendly nation to the South. The

geography of Canada tended to sectionalism. Mr. Spry pointed out, and such an organization as the Canadian Club brought all the provinces into closer touch, while it also was an invaluable channel for a better understanding between the French and English-speaking Canadians.

It was necessary, with the changes which the status of Canada in the Empire were undergoing, that some impartial organization should explain the part which Canada was playing in the Empire, and to show the relationship of the Dominion to

the Empire," he said. Some such
as the Canadian Club
was also essential to preser-
tional unity, in view of the influence
of such a largely-populated neighbor
as the United States.

Mr. Barry congratulated the women
on their new club and its
activity, stating that it was the
largest in proportion to the size of
the city of any in Canada.

FINANCE PROGRAMME

Miss Agnew presided and intro-
duced the speaker. The affair being
of a social nature, the afternoon
tea was served and an address
programme included vocal numbers by
Mrs. Arthur Dowell and Mrs. G. M.
Watson, and a piano recital by
Miss P. Edmund.

recited "The Wreck of the Julie Plante," both being pupils of the B.C. Dramatic School; and dainty dances by little Muriel Zala, three-and-a-half-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Zala, and pupil of Miss Lillian Michaels. Each number was warmly applauded and at the close Miss Agnew extended the thanks of the committee to the speaker and each of the artists, and the program so much to the success of the affair.

During the tea hour those seated at the guest table, in addition to the officers and members of the executive, were Mrs. J. W. Sperry, Mrs. R. E. Butchart, Master John Rutledge, Mrs. E. Corby, Mrs. Dowell, Mrs. Watt, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Zala and Muriel Zala, and Miss Lillian Michaels.

SUPERVISOR TELLS OF HOME ECONOMICS

Catholic Women Hear Able
Address by Miss Mc

Address by Miss Mc-
Lenaghan

Through the kindness of Sister Superior of St. Ann's Academy, the three subdivisions of the Catholic Women's League held a meeting in the auditorium yesterday afternoon to hear an able address by Miss Mc-

Miss McLenaghan, Provincial Supervisor of Home Economics. The audience included the teaching staff of St. Ann's academy, and pupils of the Domestic Science and commercial courses.

Miss McLenaghan who was introduced by Mrs. Ebbs Canavan showed at once a masterly grasp of her subject and outlined very briefly and clearly the need of the times for a special place in the school curriculum of practical home economics rather than that so important a training be left to the mother whose

The courses of home economics as taught in the universities were shown to be of inestimable value to girls, giving them an appreciation of home problems, skill in home activities, development of higher standards of home health and happiness; training

habits of neatness in home and person; recognition of organization in the home; development of poise and personality; and discrimination between essentials and non-essentials, and of more toleration and respect for and appreciation of those in a home.

Miss McLennaghan spoke very forcibly in favor of the campaign for the endowment of a home science chair at the University of B.C., the cultural value of which would be at once felt throughout the entire Province. Those contributing to the en-

There was some discussion in which Rev. Father Cyril Evans, M.A., brought out some strong points in favor of Home Economics and the economic foundation upon which rests the meeting subject. He encouraged the campaign and Miss McNaughtan was warmly thanked for her lucid and convincing address.

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Bloomers
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In peach, apricot, mauve and sunni. Price **\$3.75**

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Prof. J. M. Turnbull, B.A.Sc., of the University of British Columbia, will speak on "Changing Aspects of Mining" in the Victoria Club, Campbell Building, at 8 p.m. on Saturday, before the Vancouver Island Prospector's Association. The lecture, which is open to the public, has been arranged through the courtesy of the extension committee of the university. Prof. Turnbull's long experience in the mining industry, and especially in relation to this Province, will render his address of unique interest to all mining men.

"Engaged by Wednesday" — A three-act farce, under the auspices of Axioms' Sunday school class, First United Church, Thursday, December 9, at 8:15 p.m., in the church hall. Admission 25c. Proceeds in aid of Christmas hamper week.

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719 YATES**NEWS IN BRIEF**

The senior and junior leaders of the Y.M.C.A. will hold a "novelty night" at the Y.M.C.A. tomorrow evening, starting at 8:15 o'clock.

Effective on December 16, mails for postoffices on the Lake Cowichan branch of the C.N.R. between Victoria and Youbou, will be despatched daily, except Sundays, instead of on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays, as heretofore.

The Victoria Male Chorus held a rehearsal last evening at the K. of P. Hall, under the leadership of Henry McCleary. There were thirty-four members present. Rehearsals will be held every Monday in the K. of P. Hall, North Park Street.

Owing to the fact that the firm of David Spencer Limited is planning a Santa Claus parade, on Saturday, December 11, Chief of Police Fry will close View Street between Douglas and Broad Streets from 8 a.m. to noon on that day. It was announced at police headquarters this morning.

Ricardo Blanco sought judgment against Levan Nylander yesterday in County Court for \$1,000. The action arose out of an automobile accident. The plaintiff claims that Nylander drove at an excessive speed, crashed into his car and that his driver suffered injuries. Judge Lampman heard numerous witnesses and reserved his decision.

R. A. Baine was fined \$5 in the city police court this morning for parking his automobile without a tail light. Carl Hamilton, a like amount for failing to produce his driver's license at the demand of an officer and W. B. Crombie, C. F. Foxall, D. Spence and R. F. Meredith each paid \$1 for parking in restricted areas longer than an hour.

Under the auspices of the First Baptist Church Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah," will be rendered by a choir of eighty voices, under the leadership of F. J. Mitchell on December 17, at the First Baptist Church, Quadra Street. Those taking solo parts in the program are as follows: Mrs. McCoy-Jameson, soprano; Mrs. Jesse Longfield, contralto; Frank L. Tupman, tenor, and Handley Wells, bass.

Bertha Leach and Beatrice Ruhl, material witnesses for the Crown in the proceedings against Mrs. Jean Bowers, charged with the murder of Frederick La Marr on November 14, have been released from detention on their own recognizance. They were both kept at Oakalla until J. R. Nicholson, attorney for the women, made application for their release. Judge Lampman yesterday heard requests of counsel and gave the women their freedom.

A combined meeting of ex-service men will be held to-night in the Army and Navy Veterans' clubrooms, commencing 8 o'clock. This is the first of a series of monthly meetings arranged by the United Ex-service Societies Committee, which is representative of all ex-service organizations. Unattached members and members of the British Campaigners are specially invited to attend. Comrade Sedgwick, soldiers' advocate will speak on the subject of "Appeals."

The Esquimalt branch of the Catholic Women's League will hold their bazaar in the old Maryland Cafe, on Government Street, on Saturday when many attractive articles will be offered for sale at the following stalls: Fancy work, Mrs. Earl and Mrs. Menette; plain sewing, Mrs. Fagan and Mrs. Deasy; home cooking, Mrs. Hopkinson and Mrs. Moir; candy, Mrs. Craven and Mrs. Pick; fish-pond, Miss Worden and Miss Burt; men's stall, Mr. Moir; twenty-five and a half-painted georgette handkerchiefs. At the guest table were Miss S. Spencer, Mrs. W. J. Pendray and Mrs. Herbert Pendray, Mr. and Mrs. English, Mrs. D. MacRae and Mrs. Mulholland. A large crowd of buyers were present in the afternoon and evening and musical items were given, among the artists being Mrs. Robertson, Miss J. Macgowan, Professor and Mrs. Filtcroft and others.

Over \$300 was netted by the annual bazaar of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Victoria West, held in the lecture room, last Friday. The bazaar was opened by Mrs. David Spencer Snr., at 3 p.m., who gave a helpful talk on "Talents." Miss Sadie MacKenzie presented Mrs. Spencer with a corsage bouquet of roses and vases. Mrs. Hopkinson and Mrs. Moir, handkerchiefs. At the guest table were Miss S. Spencer, Mrs. W. J. Pendray and Mrs. Herbert Pendray, Mr. and Mrs. English, Mrs. D. MacRae and Mrs. Mulholland. A large crowd of buyers were present in the afternoon and evening and musical items were given, among the artists being Mrs. Robertson, Miss J. Macgowan, Professor and Mrs. Filtcroft and others.

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A meeting of the Oak Bay Council will be held to-morrow afternoon at 5:15 o'clock in the Municipal Hall.

The Keating Co-operative Fruit Exchange will hold a special general meeting in the West Road Hall, Saanich to-night at 8 o'clock.

The Imperial Oil Employees will hold their first dance on the evening of December 10, at Alexandra ballroom. Osara's orchestra will be in attendance.

The public are advised that mails for Yukon territory, in order to reach their destinations about Christmas, must be made not later than 1:30 p.m., on December 11. Parcels for points north of White Horse cannot be forwarded, unless they are paid at letter rates of postage.

Rotarian George M. Cornwall, editor of The Timberman, Pogliand, and Rotarian Arthur H. Graham, forest protection expert of Ottawa, will be the speakers at to-morrow's Rotary luncheon at the Empress Hotel. Both of these men are delegates to the Western Forestry and Conservation Association convention.

The regular five hundred card game will be held Monday evening in the Lake Hill Community Centre hall. The following players carried off the honors: First table, Mrs. Holdcroft, Mrs. Simpson, Mr. Quayle, Mr. Harris; second table, Mrs. Townsend, Mrs. Green, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Pooks; ten bid, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Woods; tombola, Mrs. Jones. The next game will be held under the auspices of the Lake Hill Women's Institute Monday, December 13.

Mme. Claudet, a pupil of Dame Melba, will sing a solo prior to the nativity play which is to be presented at the Memorial Hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the ladies of St. Matthias Church. The play, "Lawrence Houseman's" "Bethlehem," has an appeal for children and grown-ups alike and includes choruses and solos. Mme. Claudet on Friday evening will make her first public appearance in Victoria and music-lovers are promised a treat. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. E. A. Taylor, Hampton Court, or at the Memorial Hall on Friday night.

**NOBODY WANTS OLD
HOUSES, SAYS BOARD****Realtors Discuss "Old Home
Problem" and Property
Valuation Here**

Considering a plan for the renovation and future use of old residential properties in this city, the Real Estate Board of Victoria at its regular bi-monthly meeting at the Chamber of Commerce to-day, heard F. E. Winslow, who told the members that many of the old houses are undesirable, still paying heavy taxes and interest on mortgages, presented a difficult problem. Mr. Winslow asked, what could be done with such properties.

A. Ravednor replied, "They are frame houses, many of those which you have in mind. They are in districts which are not for residences. What I would do," he said, "is buy cheap lots in better areas and move the houses."

David Downing said that such a plan was useless. Houses rarely could be moved here, he said. The cost was too great.

H. D. Patterson suggested that two-story eight-room houses might easily be altered into two four-room flats. In this way some owners rented their premises. He cited an instance of one man who spent \$4,000 to convert an old house into four flats, four apartments. That owner was now receiving \$30 a month rent on his investment.

There were difficulties in such work, J. C. Brismar declared. To put an old house into modern condition and turn it into flats was not as profitable as a new house would be, he said.

Speaking of land and dwelling house valuation, Mr. Patterson said that the selling price of houses similar to the one under consideration should determine its price.

HOUSE VALUATION
The saleable value of a house was governed by its situation, said Mr. Leeming. The surface value of land and the property asset did not give the proper total. The location was everything. His quarrel, he said, was with the system of taxation. This was based on 100 per cent of the value of the land and fifty per cent of the value of the dwelling. Sometimes the land was assessed too highly. When a prospective buyer asked the taxes on this property, he said, the value of the whole immediately dropped because the land was valued too highly. "How, then," asked Mr. Leeming, "can we get down to a fair common basis?" The problem was one of the utmost importance, he asserted. The board should attempt a solution seriously. It was a situation ruinous to a property owner.

James Forman considered the fault was in assessment. He looked forward, however, to reassessment. He believed that the situation would be remedied and redress offered by the next assessor.

Houses were often hard to sell, said Mr. Forman, because they were not built to appeal to a purchaser. That was a matter of commonsense in building for a remedy.

He added that a fair and equitable assessment was needed in Victoria, Mr. Forman concluded.

The board discussed road improvements in parts of the city, on May Street and similar places.

Alderman P. R. Brown said that the city was going to try to relieve the situation next year.

**MARKETING OF B.C.
FRUIT BECOMES BIG
PROBLEM FOR HOUSE****Conditions in Okanagan Unsatisfactory Despite Big Crop, Growers Tell Cabinet****Marketing System Broken by Independent Selling, Co-operators Declare**

Fruit growers of the Black Mountain district of the Okanagan Valley came here to-day to ask the Government to assist them to pay their cost of irrigation. Conditions in the Okanagan Valley, they declared, were unsatisfactory now owing to the smashing of fruit markets by independent growers. With a huge apple crop and the highest quality of fruit for sale, the Okanagan, the Government was told, will make little net profit on its operations this year.

ACTION DEMANDED
These representations served to emphasize the problems of the great fruit growing industry prior to the meeting of the Legislature when they will form a leading theme of discussion. Growers of the Okanagan are demanding that the House take some definite action to put the fruit industry on a sound basis and a law compelling growers to join the co-operative movement is the measure most widely favored.

IRRIGATION COSTS
That the present condition cannot be allowed to continue year after year and that some solution of the Valley's problems must be found is the contention of the growers, and this opinion is expected to crystallize in definite action when the House meets. While widespread demand has been made in the fruit districts for Government relief in the cost of irrigation, officials of the Department of Agriculture do not believe that a plan of this sort would put the business on a sound footing permanently and would be only a temporary assistance.

With such relief the fruit industry would not be in a satisfactory condition if the present disorganized marketing system were maintained, it is thought. On the other hand, if the growers could get together, eliminate disastrous price-cutting, prevent the "bootlegging" of fruit and feed markets efficiently, the irrigation charges will become an insignificant factor in their operations, it is contended.

On the whole, the marketing of the Okanagan crop is considered the biggest problem facing British Columbia agriculture to-day.

**GIVES ADDRESS ON
ISRAEL CONGRESS****Rev. Chas. E. Batzold Tells of
Leaders of Movement**

Rev. Chas. E. Batzold in his address in the King's Hall last evening was listened to by an interested audience, as he described his experiences while on the way to, and at, the great British Israel Congress, held recently in London.

The speaker described the personal characteristics of the leaders at the movement, and their various qualifications fitting each one for his own special part. The general summary pointing to the fact that there was an aggregation of men fitted to direct what, in the estimation of many, is destined to become one of the mightiest of the many movements for the uplifting and unifying of the Anglo-Saxon people since the reformation.

It combines, he said, the patriotic and the religious, and demonstrates the truth of the Bible by the position and influence of the Anglo-Saxon people, and the glorious destiny which awaits them in the future.

An influential delegate from the United States who spoke at the congress described the interest with which the movement is regarded in that country, and anticipates a tremendous wave of enthusiasm in connection therewith in the near future, mentioning several wealthy men who are prepared to back the movement with all their energies and means.

Mr. Batzold will speak to-night at 8 o'clock again, his subject will be "The Ancient of Days."

**DAMAGES OF \$1,000
SOUGHT AS RESULT
OF AUTOMOBILE CRASH**

Damages to the amount of \$1,000 from Ricardo Blanco are sought by Levan Nylander in a case before Judge Lampman in the County Court following an automobile accident on Douglas and Hillside Streets on August 12.

W. A. Brethour is counsel for plaintiff and Frank Higgins, K.C., for defendant. Plaintiff alleges that defendant drove his car at an excessive rate of speed crashing into plaintiff's car and injuring himself and his infant daughter. Damage to the car was also caused by defendant, he alleges. Judgment has been reserved.

**NORTH IS PUTTING
ITSELF ON THE MAP
PATTULLO DECLARES****Minister Finds Prince Rupert Substantial Grain Port and People Optimistic**

"Prospects for northern British Columbia have never appeared as bright as they do now," Hon. T. D. Pattullo, Minister of Lands, declared on his return here to-day from his constituency of Prince Rupert.

"The city of Prince Rupert is on the map now as a Canadian grain port. Nine ships already have loaded grain there this year, and this number will be increased to thirty before Spring—a movement which means a great deal to the city in a business way. Not only will the grain business expand, but it will develop other transpacific business to the Orient."

"The people in the North are optimistic to-day over their future. They know now that they count on steady and systematic development over the period immediately ahead. Mining, lumbering, agriculture and fishing, British Columbia's four basic resources, all are now active in the North."

MINISTERS TRAVEL
Members of the Provincial Government are making last-minute rounds of the Province in preparation for the meeting of the Legislature here on December 16. After these brief trips the cabinet will reassemble as a whole here at the beginning of next week to make final preparations for the opening of the House.

Premier Oliver left the capital for the mainland last night. He will visit Kamloops and Revelstoke and speak in Vancouver before returning to his desk next Tuesday. This will complete a comprehensive series of trips which the Premier has been making during the Fall to familiarize himself thoroughly with conditions all over the Province.

Hon. W. H. Sutherland, Minister of Public Works, is in Cranbrook looking over affairs of his department there.

Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, and Hon. E. D. Barrow, Minister of Agriculture, are going to the mainland to-day. Dr. MacLean will be the feature speaker at the annual meeting of the South Vancouver Liberal Association, while Mr. Barrow will confer with agriculturalists gathered in Vancouver in preparation for the Winter fair there.

**HAROLD DIGGON AND
ATWELL KING NAMED
FOR KIWANIS HONORS****Presidency of Energetic Service Club to be Decided
Next Tuesday**

The annual meeting of the Kiwanis Club will be held next Tuesday at the Chamber of Commerce, when officers for 1927 will be selected from the following nominations made at yesterday's luncheon of the club:
For president—Harold M. Diggon and Atwell D. King.
For vice-president—Darrel W. Spence and C. Elwood Watkins.
For treasurer—Gordon A. Campbell and Charles W. Pangman.
For directors (seven to be elected)—William Bayley, Andrew Blythe, Roland Christy, William Crawford, Joseph B. Davenport, Leonard Griffiths, Harold A. Hewlett, A. E. Humphries, Thomas Kelway, Victor King, William Norrington, Frank Parridge, Leonard Phillips, Walter B. Revercomb, Frank Thomson, Walter M. Walker and Percy Walters.
For district trustee—Dr. Howard Miller.

Installation ceremonies will feature an evening session to be held towards the close of December, when Kiwanians will be accompanied by their ladies.

Welcome Club—The Welcome Club will meet on Thursday, December 9, at the Y.V.C.A. Supper will be served.

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FINANCE MINISTER ADDRESSED SAANICH LIBERAL MEETING

Past and Present Administra-
tions Dealt With by Hon.
J. D. MacLean

Conservative Policies Promise
Nothing For British Columbia

Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance, and C. H. O'Halloran, were the speakers at a public meeting held in the Women's Institute Hall, Marigold, Monday night. Walter Brydon, president of Saanich Liberal Association, occupied the chair.

The chairman explained that the purpose of the meeting was to bring before the public the record of the administration of the Liberal Government of the Province. He stated that owing to a severe cold N. W. Whittaker was unable to be present, but that C. H. O'Halloran had consented to speak instead.

Mr. O'Halloran dwelt on the undoubted revival of interest which was in evidence all over the Nanaimo riding in affairs of government. He gave a brief resume of the number of Liberal meetings he had attended, especially since the last election, as evidence that Liberalism was very much alive in British Columbia. The speaker dealt with the essential difference between Liberalism and Conservatism, showing that governing principles of the two great parties were entirely different. The former dominated by the interests of the people as a whole, the latter by the privileged interests of finance and big business.

The speaker touched on the recent Empire conference, and stressed the point that the traditions of the Liberal Party in Empire affairs were worthily upheld by Rt. Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King.

DR. J. D. MACLEAN
Hon. J. D. MacLean expressed his pleasure at being present and seeing so many people, evidently willing to hear calmly a discussion of the problems to the Government. At times when elections are being held public questions of moment did not receive the same attentive consideration as was possible at a meeting such as he was addressing.

The Minister divided his address into three heads—the policies of the last Conservative Government, the policies of the present administration, and an examination of the platform of the Conservative Party as the result of the recent convention at Kamloops.

He gave examples of the policies of the Conservative Government from 1903 to 1918. The selling of larger tracts of land without settlement conditions, whereby great areas got into the hands of speculators. The guaranteeing of bonds of railway companies to the extent of \$57,000,000. Canadian Northern Railway, \$47,000,000 and P.G.E. \$20,000,000. To-day the result of these policies is that the Province has to pay \$2,500,000 annually for interest.

OUTLAY ON ROADS
Large sums were spent on the construction of roads, the roads were not properly laid out, no surveyors were employed, and resulted in much duplication, and great additional expenses had to be incurred to rectify the system. Great sums were also expended in the erection of court houses in excess of the needs of the times. The effect of the maladministration of the Conservative Government was the slow development in the period 1903-1918. The records of these years if examined will show plainly that very little progress was being made. In 1918 there were 2,100 people employed in industries by 1924, after about eight years of Liberal rule the number was 75,000. Turning to finances under Conservative rule, the peak year was 1912 when the revenue amounted to \$12,500,000. Under ordinary circumstances in a young country in process of development, this figure should gradually have increased; the opposite occurred in the year 1916, the revenue was \$6,000,000. Deficits for five years amounted to \$18,000,000. For every \$100 collected by the Province the sum of \$34.07 to collect. The like all governments had to borrow money—they had brought the credit of the Province so low that for every \$100 borrowed they only secured the sum of \$65.93. The Minister said he remembered in his own constituency conditions were very bad. People could not get a job unless they were members of a Conservative club, and when they did get their wages they were told the store in which they had to spend them. Social legislation for the welfare of the people got no attention whatsoever. The first task of the present Liberal Government was to try to restore the finances of the Province—to balance the budget. The Province had valuable natural resources, timber, mines, water power, fisheries; in numerous instances great sums were being made by the exploiting of these resources. The Government felt that a portion of the income should accrue to the Province, and that policy was put into effect. The Minister gave an example of recent date, last year one mining company in this Province made \$12,000,000; he had the pleasure of receiving from that company a cheque for nearly \$1,000,000 for the people of the Province.

LAND POLICY
The Government has a land policy involving settlement conditions, and it is working out very satisfactorily. The Minister said they had been accused of increasing expenditure; he did not deny it. As the Province developed expenditure was bound to increase, just as it does in any business concern which is making progress. A sample of increasing expenditure was that involved in the Sumas reclamation scheme, which could not be pronounced a great success, and would materially to the production of the Province. In ten years the Government had spent \$5,000,000 in new roads; these were expenditures made with the avowed purpose of increasing the development of the Province and making it a better place to live in. Unless the roads are built the land cannot be settled, and unless the land is settled sound development cannot take place. No country ever permanently succeeded unless a large proportion are attached to the soil. The Minister mentioned the many acts of social legislation, such as the Mothers' Pension Act, Schools for the Blind, Tuberculosis Hospital, etc. As showing progress in the years of Liberal rule since 1918. Dr. MacLean said agriculture had increased 110 per cent, mining 40 per cent, lumbering 243 per cent, bank clearings 100 per cent, building permits 420 per cent. The revenue was now \$19,000,000. To simplify the debt situation, the speaker used the illustration of a business concern building and goods valued at \$18,300, with an indebtedness of \$750. It was no use talking in millions, the illustration given reflected the proportionate position of the public debt.

When one saw the large expenditures by Spencers, the Hudson's Bay Company, B.C. Electric and the expense at Powell River, it showed that commercial concerns had faith in the future progress of the Province. The public debt had been reduced \$2,600,000 last year, and the next reduction would take place next year. Tax reductions amounting to \$1,140,000 had been effected in the past two years. Bond dealers had issued a statement that of all the provinces in Canada, British Columbia had a sinking fund most near the requirements of bond buyers. The Minister concluded by drawing attention to the omissions of the Kamloops convention. There is no record of any of the outstanding problems of the Province being dealt with. Five hundred of the leading



One of the interesting things Marjorie Oelrichs, left, does with a scarf in conjunction with a wool top coat. Right is Phyllis Benkart with new fur coat banded with cinnamon fox.

Conservatives of the Province gather together, and not a word about the P.G.E., nor the important matter of transportation; no reference to conservation of our great timber resources; no mention of the great educational problems. He advised the people to study the resolutions of this much advertised convention and he ventured the prediction that they would find nothing constructive, nothing to impress the people that the Conservatives had a policy worthy of being an alternative to the Liberal policies of the past ten years. F. Simpson and J. M. Kellie moved and seconded a vote of thanks to the speakers. D. Ramsey proposed thanks to the Ward Association, and the ladies for serving refreshments.

SACRED CANTATA
"THE HOLY CITY"
GIVEN BY CHOIR

"The Holy City," a sacred cantata, was composed by Alfred R. Gaul for the Birmingham Musical Festival in 1912. Its performance last evening in the auditorium of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church by the choir of forty voices, under the direction of choirmaster and organist, Jesse Longfield, was an exceedingly meritorious performance. The singers attached themselves to the work in splendid manner, rendering the choruses with precision of attack and with commendable vigor and spirit. A marked and exemplary feature was the evident naturalness of expression to the avoidance of strong contrasts of piano and forte, and of exaggerated crescendo and diminuendo. Indeed, the choir seemingly are enmeshed with the tuneless and interesting work, for it is not the first time it has been presented by this same faithful body of singers, but never perhaps has it been better rendered by them than on this occasion.

The prologue, which was added by the composer in 1901, with its unaccompanied quartette, soprano solo, short choruses, and again the quartette was quite artistically rendered, while the dramatic choruses for female voices only, "Let! The Church Host," and in the final chorus, "Great and Marvelous Are Thy Works." The pianissimo passages were beautifully presented, as was also the chorus, "Holy, Holy, is the Lord of Hosts."

The trio, "At Eventide It Shall Be Light," for soprano, alto, and tenor, was rendered by the choir. "They Shall Hunger No More," were markedly rendered.

THE PRINCIPALS
The title parts were in the hands of Mrs. W. M. Wright, a leading soprano of the First United Church, Mrs. Jesse Longfield, contralto of the St. Andrew's choir, George Guy, a leading tenor of the Arion Club, and the baritone, J. J. Matheson.

Mrs. Wright, in the air, "These Are They Which Came," not only evinced good technique, but showed herself to be well equipped in taste and musical intuition in such matters as oratorio arias. It is always a delight to hear Mrs. Longfield, her voice is of that rich and mellow timbre that pieces abundantly. The two beautiful arias for contralto voice, "Eye Hath Not Seen," and "Come Ye Blessed of My Father," were artistic achievements by this well-known soloist. George Guy never fails in careful interpretation, and his musicalness is capable to a degree. He was in good voice, and sang with taste and expression the two arias, "My Soul is Awaiting For God," and "To the Lord Our God." J. J. Matheson is rapidly nearing the throne of solo attainment, and he sang his parts confidently and with excellent diction. There is no question that this baritone will later be in demand. He well demonstrated his capabilities in the arias, "Thus Saith the Lord, Behold," in "I Heard a Great Voice Out of Heaven," and in "I Heard the Voice of Harpers."

Mr. Longfield, in the two opening numbers to parts one and two, "Contemplation" and "Adoration," which have been "scored" for orchestra by the composer, rendered some skillful and appropriate effects, bringing forth the recently added resources of a mellow-toned and beautiful instrument, the console of the organ.

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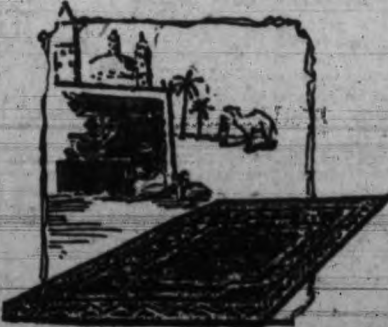
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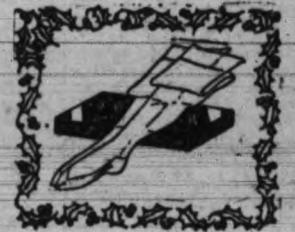


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SPORTING NEWS

DUNCAN THINKS THAT BRITAIN WILL GIVE IN IN GOLF CLASH

AT THE THEATRES

MANNEQUINS AS
FOOTLOOSE WIDOWS
IN PLAYHOUSE FILM

"Footloose Widows," the Warner production, is now to be seen at the Playhouse Theatre. The humorous complications in which the two adventuring mannequins known as the "Footloose Widows" find themselves, are adjusted with startling suddenness when Jerry, the handsome millionaire, arrives on the scene.

The Jerry of "Footloose Widows" is Jason Robards, one of the most

Where to Go To-night

Capitol—"The Magician."
Columbia—"Kiki."
Dominion—"The Four Horsemen."
Coliseum—"Oh Boy."
Playhouse—"The Rockland Avenue Romance."
Crystal Garden—Sea bathing and dancing.

talented and interesting young screen actors of the day. The indomitable Jason, now that his experiences in the university of hard knocks are ended, seems quite as sure to bring home the golden fleeces as did the famous youth for whom he is named.

Jason Robards was prominently identified with some of the most spectacular successes of the speaking stage before taking up screen acting. He was for five years juvenile lead with Frank Bacon in "Lightnin'." He was juvenile lead, also, in "Turn to the Right" and for a year was called back to Michigan, his home state, to do a juvenile part in a stock company then presenting "The Fortune Hunter." He had plugged doggedly at a role of one hundred and five "sides" from Thursday until the Sunday matinee. Coming off the stage, a bit cocky with his success, he was told that the manager had shipped with the funds. No pay was forthcoming. The newly-weds were dead broke. The bride had an inspiration. "The hero of 'The Fortune Hunter' was in just such a plight," she said. "He went looking for a job—any old job—and found one!"

DR. F. BOGRAN DIED

New Orleans, Dec. 8.—Dr. Francisco Bogran, a former president of Honduras, died here last night. He had resided in New Orleans since coming here for medical treatment last July. A noted physician himself, Dr. Bogran enlisted the aid of several specialists in an effort to cure his liver trouble.

PLAYHOUSE

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NORMA TALMADGE
AS "KIKI" REVEALS
HARUM-SCARUM GIRL

Miss Talmadge, as "Kiki," showing to-day at the Columbia Theatre, reveals herself as a comedienne of the first water. It is difficult to envision this harum-scarum miss in "Kiki" as the same Norma Talmadge who created those immortal screen roles in "Sinful Through," "Secrets" and "Graustark." Who could have imagined the lovely Norma engaged in fistfights with her rival in love or hurling breakfast dishes at any one who dared disturb her beauty nap?

Ronald Colman, as Victor Renal, a Paris theatre manager, makes an ideal leading man for Miss Talmadge. It is the handsome actor's first appearance opposite Norma. Others in the large cast who do credit to their roles are Gertrude Astor, Marc MacDermott, George K. Arthur, Erwin Connelly, William Orlamond, Frankie Darro and Mack Swain.

COLISEUM STAGE
OFFERING GOES OVER
IN GREAT STYLE

Pretty girls, light hitting melodies, and a dialogue that has a laugh in every line make the Coliseum production of "Oh Boy" an evening's entertainment that is keenly enjoyed. The play goes over with a swing and the many happy musical numbers keep the performance to a high level of brightness right through. The melodies are haunting and the kind one hums all the way home. Very pretty is "The Old Fashioned Wife" and "Something Goes Tingling," which are so decoratively helped over the footlights by the girls who comprise the chorus.

LEGITIMATE STAGE
LEADS WEGENER TO
WORLD OF PICTURE

Paul Wegener, the noted European stage and screen actor, has made his first appearance in a picture to be produced by an American company in Rex Ingram's "The Magician," which was photographed on the Continent for Metro-Goldwyn. This feature will play all week at the Capitol Theatre.

Born near Freiburg, Germany, Wegener studied history of Art and Philosophy at the Universities of Freiburg and Leipzig. After the conclusion of his education, he went on the stage and immediately started playing important parts in theatres in the provinces, principally at Weissenbaden and Hamburg.

As far back as 1912 Wegener started to take interest in the cinema and appeared in several reel productions for which he wrote his own scenarios.

In "The Magician" Wegener enacts the title part. Before Rex Ingram secured the rights of this Somerset Maugham story, he made sure he could get Wegener for this role, for he had been a great admirer of the famous German actor ever since seeing him in "The Golem."

Alice Terry was the leading feminine role in "The Magician" and among other notable members of the cast are Firmin Gémier, Ivan Petrovich, Gladys Hamer and others. The

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PAULINE FREDERICK
WILL APPEAR HERE

Famed Actress to Take Leading Role in Somerset Maugham's Drama

Pauline Frederick will return to the spoken drama in a presentation by Edward D. Smith of W. Somerset Maugham's brilliant comedy, "Lady Frederick," at the Royal Victoria Theatre, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, December 16, 17 and 18, with a matinee Saturday.

The fame of Somerset Maugham, author of "Rain," "The Moon and Sixpence" and other clever works, is so well known that the presentation of his masterpiece, "Lady Frederick," will be hailed with delight by the admirers of his plays here. He is undoubtedly the foremost British playwright of the present time. In this comedy he has done his best work. He depicts personages in the upper circles of British social life in an inimitable manner. He jeers at their stupidity, laughs at their rock bound forms and ridicules their snobbery, but always in a charming manner. In "Lady Frederick" he has given the stage one of its brightest and cleverest plays. It is replete with sparkling wit and laughable situations, yet contains scenes that for repressed dramatic intensity cannot be equalled by any other comedy of to-day.

In the heroine of Maugham's comedy, Pauline Frederick has found one of the best roles she has ever essayed to play. The light-hearted, witty Irish peccad, beset by impertinent creditors, persecuted by enemies and harassed by numerous suitors, who meets with a laugh and defamation with magnanimity, is a character that calls for treatment of no delicate kind. Its portrayal by Miss Frederick is as delightful as it is artistic. It will long be remembered for its human quality, its lightness and its brilliancy.

Manager Smith has organized a company of distinguished artists to support Miss Frederick that in point of importance and calibre has no equal on the Pacific Coast. Among the players are Charles Waldron, Olaf Hyten, Lawrence Grant, Allen Connor, Robert Owen, Charles Wellesley, Paul Fix, Clark Gable, Maud Turner, Gordon, Ina Rorke, Margaret Delamere, Nenette Vallon and others of

note. There are many magnificent gowns and the scenic enhancement of the piece is of unusual beauty.

"Engaged by Wednesday" — A three-act farce, under the auspices of Axioms' Sunday school class, First United Church, Thursday, December 9, at 8.15 p.m., in the church hall. Admission 25c. Proceeds in aid of Christmas hamper week.

LATEST MUSIC FOR
SOLARIUM BALL

City Police to be Hosts at
Empress Function Friday

Much interest has been aroused among the dancers of the city by the ball in aid of the Solarium which the city police force will stage in the Empress Hotel on Friday evening of this week. The members of the force are sparing no effort to make the success of the affair commensurate with their recent ball and all the arrangements have been carried to the highest pitch of perfection. Zola's and Art Bishop's orchestras will be responsible for the music and as the following programme will show, the numbers are of the very latest:

Waltz....."Night of Love"

Fox Trot....."But I Do, You Know I Do"

Fox Trot....."If I Knew It First"

One Step....."When the Red, Red, Robin"

Waltz....."Dreaming"

Fox Trot....."Baby Face"

Waltz....."Barcelona"

Waltz....."Dream Girl"

Fox Trot....."Where'd You Get Those Eyes?"

Fox Trot....."In My Gondola"

Waltz....."Cherie, I Love You"

One Step....."Out Yonder"

Fox Trot....."Gimme a Little Kiss"

Fox Trot....."Drifting and Dreaming"

Waltz....."At Peace With the World"

One Step....."Valencia"

Fox Trot....."Precious Head"

Fox Trot....."Sleepy Head"

Waltz....."Bitten Round"

One Step....."Take This Rose"

Fox Trot....."Hi, Ho, The Merrie"

Waltz....."Because I Love You"

Fox Trot....."Bye, Bye, Blackbird"

One Step....."Hi Diddle Diddle"

Waltz....."Perfect Day"

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PACIFIC FIRE
FIGHTERS PUT
OVER NEW FILM

First Serious Effort to Use
Screen For Education Now
Under Way

"The Fire Brigade" is
Dramatic Spectacle Teaching
Fire Prevention

One of the most ambitious attempts to use the silver screen for educational purposes is now getting under way with the release from the Metro-Goldwyn studio of "The Fire Brigade," sponsored by the Pacific Coast Association of Fire Chiefs, and made after six years of campaigning. The film was made by the Metro-Goldwyn artists with the assistance of the Los Angeles fire department, under Chief R. J. Scott, and tells a graphic story which needs no apology, standing as a thrilling spectacle from a purely screen standpoint, besides being the most effective form of fire prevention propaganda yet devised.

Charles Ray stars with May McAvoy, assisted by Holmes Herbert, Tom O'Brien, Eugene Bessner, Warner P. Richmond, Bert Woodruff, Viva Ogden, DeWitt Jennings, Dan Mason, Erwin Connelly and James Bradbury.

During the filming of some of the dramatic scenes members of the Los Angeles fire department came to too-close grips with the flames, and more than one became an ambulance case, happily without fatal results. The story carries itself, and will be widely received for its dramatic sequences; but over and beyond that the picture is being generally hailed as the most serious contribution to the cause of fire prevention that has yet been made.

The history of the making of "The Fire Brigade" is unusual in that it was foreseen and planned first by fire fighting officials on the Pacific Coast. Then followed six years in which the idea was carried forward and action taken to secure its filming as a commercial undertaking. The result is not only a picture of unusual merit, but the culmination of one of the first efforts to use the screen for educational purposes on a wholesale scale.

Chief Vernon W. Stewart of the Victoria Fire Department, a member of the executive of the Association for the year 1927, is now in receipt of advance copies of the film, and is enthusiastic over the good that will result.

EPIC FILM BACK
WITH VALENTINO
IN LEADING ROLE

Greeted with as tremendous an ovation as at its initial triumph "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" is now at the Dominion Theatre, Valentino—Ingram—Dore. What a world-beating combination! The star, the director and the author of one of the mightiest pictures ever produced. The cast is magnificent, headed by the late Rudolph Valentino and Alice Terry. "The Four Horsemen" is a wonder picture that contains, while obtaining and achieving its mighty dramatic climax, entertainment from start to finish.

MOVIE-ANA

By DAN THOMAS

Hollywood, Cal., Dec. 7.—The Vitaphone will carry grand opera and symphony orchestras to every picture house in the country—but the day of "talking pictures" seems still remote.

The reason why talking pictures will not be made soon in this movie village is that the actor, folk and producers are bent against them. To make characters in the movies talk is a Vitaphone would necessitate a drastic change in the entire method now used in picture production, the movie people say. Players would have to rehearse for weeks, months before any actual shooting could be done.

Besides they would have to learn to speak lines (which would destroy many a blinding movie name pronto!) But the Vitaphone has been launched, and a pretty piece of work it is. In the Hollywood Egyptian theatre the other night, it had its premiere, as a musical prologue to the feature picture.

Symphony, grand opera, that's fine, say the trembling folk in this hectic town, but talking movies? Ah, no, let's put that off!

At last Mary Astor's mother has triumphed in the affections of her famous celluloid daughter. An announcement was made recently that Mary had broken her engagement with Irving Asher. A marriage might be detrimental to Mary's screen career, and of course a daughter making \$2,500 a week is a "meal ticket" one would hardly like to lose.

Speaking of heart affairs, I have just uncovered some dark secrets regarding Bebe Daniels' first "case." At that unlucky age of thirteen Bebe developed a more or less violent crush on their Italian gardener's son.

June Mathis, Hollywood's highest salaried woman writer, is about to organize her own production unit. But she has not yet completed any negotiations for films. She has just broken with First National over some differences in production policies. One of the greatest achievements in Miss Mathis' life was the discovery of Rudolph Valentino.

John Barrymore was a speaker at a recent political meeting in make-believe colony. During the course of his speech he pointed to a pitcher of ice water on the speaker's table and said, "I am too good a Republican to drink this stuff."

STYLE NOTE FOR
MEN ONLY

To be a style leader, a man has only to study fashions of twenty-five years ago and take suggestions from them, according to Adolphe Menjou. Men's styles run in cycles of almost exactly twenty-five years, according to a screen star. Therefore, if a man keeps his clothes long enough they are bound to return to style again.

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actress, were waiting for Brewster's divorce, they lived in adjoining houses. Brewster had a trick whistle with which he used to call Corliss.

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THE MAN THE WOMEN LOVED

BY RUBY M. AYRES

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Mrs. Morland did not think so; she did not believe that Dorothy wanted the baby, and she did not believe Dorothy cared in the least for John, but she kept these anxious thoughts locked in her breast and hoped for the best.

Only that morning there had been a scene at lunch. All about nothing it seemed to be, starting—Mrs. Morland could not remember where or why, and yet Dorothy had ended up in an hysterical burst of tears, had told John that she hated him, and locked herself in her room.

"And things ought to be so different," John's selfishly thought, wistfully, remembering her own youth, and the happiness which had always preceded the arrival of her own babies.

There was a tap at the door, and Mollie Dawe entered.

She carried a bunch of sweet-scented roses, and there was a little flush on her cheeks which the summer sun had painted there.

"I brought these for Dorothy," she said, bending to kiss Mrs. Morland. "I know she loves roses. Where is she?"

Mrs. Morland sighed.

"She's upstairs in her room, dear. She won't speak to any of us, not even to John. Mollie, I'm getting very anxious about Dorothy."

Mollie raised the roses to her lips and held them there for a moment before she said:

"Oh—I don't think you need be anxious, Mrs. Morland. She'll be all right soon. I wonder if I might go up to her?"

"I wish you would," Dorothy's really found of you, you know. I was only saying to John last night, that I am so thankful that she does seem fond of you. You're such a good companion for her, always so bright and sensible."

"Well, I'll go upstairs," Mollie said slowly. But her feet dragged when she left the room, and there was a little shadow on her bright face.

It was true that during the last few months a strong friendship had grown up between herself and John's wife, a friendship which John himself had done a great deal to foster, and yet Mollie hesitated when she stood outside Dorothy's closed door, almost as if she would like to go away without knocking.

Then she raised her hand.

A peculiar voice from within said:

"Who is it? I want to be left alone."

"It's Mollie."

"Oh!"

There was a sound of someone moving inside, and presently Dorothy opened the door. Her hair was dishevelled, and there were signs of tears on her face, but she returned Mollie's kiss, and clung to her hand rather pathetically for a moment.

"Come in. I never mind you. You don't worry me to death like John's family do; they never leave me alone for a moment. Shut the door, please, and sit down."

"I've brought you some roses. Smell! Aren't they lovely?" Mollie laid them down in Dorothy's lap.

There was a little silence, then Dorothy said in a little sighing whisper:

"Roses—they always remind me of the time when I was young!"

Mollie laughed.

"Young! How old are you now, pray?"

"Old enough to realize that I am young, no longer," Dorothy said tremulously. She let the flowers fall listlessly.

Mollie picked them up and fetched water and a glass vase.

"Roses always make me think of everything that's beautiful and happy," she said cheerily. She began to arrange the flowers with careful fingers. "Why aren't you out this afternoon?" she demanded. "It's lovely. Come for a little walk with me. It will do you no end of good. Of course you get moped to death staying in doors all day."

"I don't want to go out. I don't want to do anything. I—"

Suddenly tears streamed down Dorothy's face. "Oh, I wish I were dead!" she sobbed.

Mollie sat down beside her.

"You don't mean that, dear," she said very gently. "You're going to be ever so happy soon. Oh, Dorothy, aren't you happy now at the thought of having a little child all your own?"

Dorothy laid her head down on the younger girl's shoulder.

"I'm so tired, so tired!" she whispered. "And you don't understand."

"Don't!" There was a sad smile in Mollie's eyes as she stroked her friend's golden hair. "Perhaps I

understand better than you think," she said gently.

There was unbroken silence for some minutes, then Mollie said suddenly:

"I met Mr. Heffron as I came along."

She felt the convulsive movement that shook the girl beside her, and she went on quietly:

"Those roses were from him. He asked me to give them to you."

Dorothy raised herself with a fierce jerk.

"He couldn't have brought them himself, could he?" she asked in a shrill, excited voice. "He couldn't have brought them himself, could he?"

"Of course! He never comes to see me. Nobody but you ever comes to see me." And she began to cry again.

Mollie looked away her face flushing, and her voice was not quite steady when next she spoke.

"He asked me to tell you that his father died last night."

Dorothy's tears were checked.

"At last! I thought he never would die," she said shrilly. "Months ago they said he had only a few hours to live. Months ago, before Christmas!"

"I know."

Dorothy rose and began pacing the room.

"And now I suppose Patrick will go abroad again," she broke out suddenly. "I suppose he will sell the house, or what is left of it for him to sell, and go abroad again. There were hectic spots of color in her cheeks. "Oh, I wish I were a man to be able to do as I like, to be free!"

Tears sprang to Mollie's eyes.

"John loves you so much," she faltered.

"Loves me!" Dorothy looked at her with passionate eyes. "I'm in prison here, I tell you, in prison!" she said excitedly. "And it's John who keeps me here."

"Oh, don't! Don't!"

"It's true. I hate them all—John, and his mother and Isaac!" And they only put up with me because they think I'm ill. It drives me mad when they keep saying I shall be better soon. It's not my body, it's my mind that's sick—sick!" She struck her hands together despairingly, and Mollie caught them and held them fast in her own.

"Oh, Dorothy, don't, don't! You'll kill yourself if you get so excited. Can't I help you? Isn't there anything I can do for you? I'll do anything."

Dorothy was suddenly quiet. She sat down again, her hands falling listlessly into her lap, her eyes half closed.

"Yes, I believe you would," she said in a whisper, and then for a long time she was silent, her racked thoughts travelling first this way and then that, like a trapped creature, trying in vain to find some way of escape. The scent of the roses filled the room, touching her overwrought brain with sweet, insidious comfort. All she wanted in the world was the man from whose hands they had come. All she longed for was his presence, the sound of his voice, and the clasp of his arms.

And these things were denied to her through her own will and desire. Heffron had pleaded with her in vain, many times, to let him take the last way out for them both, and she had refused.

To be continued

BEDTIME STORY

Uncle Wiggily's Icicle Ladder

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By HOWARD R. GARIS

Not far from Uncle Wiggily's hollow stump in the winter, there was a waterfall. That is the water fell in Summer, when the glen was beautiful with green leaves and pretty flowers. But in the winter the water that trickled and splashed over the rocks, falling from the top to the bottom, froze. Then there was no waterfall.

One day Uncle Wiggily hopped out of his bungalow, with an extra jolly twinkle in his pink nose, and said to his wife:

"Yes, I suppose the rabbit lady calling her husband that just in fun, as a sort of pet name. 'You will find no waterfall now. This is winter.'"

"Yes, I suppose the rabbit lady saying, yesterday, that he passed the glen and the water was frozen into queer and beautiful shapes. I want to see a frozen waterfall."

"Be careful you don't have your pink nose frozen," said Mrs. Longears as her husband hopped off down the snowy path. A little while before this all the forty-seven little bunnies—or forty twelve if you count Baby



Uncle Wiggily climbed the icicle ladder.

"I am going to look at the waterfall," Billy exclaimed the rabbit lady calling her husband that just in fun, as a sort of pet name. "You will find no waterfall now. This is winter." "Yes, I suppose the rabbit lady saying, yesterday, that he passed the glen and the water was frozen into queer and beautiful shapes. I want to see a frozen waterfall." "Be careful you don't have your pink nose frozen," said Mrs. Longears as her husband hopped off down the snowy path. A little while before this all the forty-seven little bunnies—or forty twelve if you count Baby

Bunty—had all gone down this same path to the hollow stump school.

"Heigh ho!" whistled Uncle Wiggily as he hopped on his way. "I hope I shall have an adventure to-day!"

And, he was going to have one. I am allowed to tell you that much, anyhow.

As Uncle Wiggily started to go up the glen, at the far end of which was the frozen waterfall he wished to see, the bunny looked back.

"Perhaps I can invite some of my friends to come into the glen with me," thought the bunny.

But he only saw the Fuzzy Fox and the Woolly Wolf sinking along.

"Ah! Not so good!" murmured the bunny. "I wonder what that means? It looks to me like trouble!"

And, if Mr. Longears had been closer he might have heard the Fox say:

"We have him now!" While the Wolf snarled:

"That's right! If he goes up in the glen he can't get out, for the walls on both sides are too high for him to climb. And, at the far end is the waterfall—he can't climb that!"

"Indeed he can't!" chuckled the Fox. "This time he is our rabbit!"

Uncle Wiggily was beginning to think this same thing. The glen was

like a long, deep tunnel in between two great rocky hills. Only it was like a tunnel without a top. The side walls were too steep to climb. Once in the glen, the only way out was by the way Uncle Wiggily had entered.

And, that was now blocked by the Fox and Wolf.

"Dear me!" thought the bunny. "It looks as if I were caught. But, I will keep on! If the Fox and Wolf follow me they may be so busy looking at the frozen waterfall they will forget to bite me!"

But alas! When Uncle Wiggily had gone as far as he could go, the Fox and Wolf were close behind him.

"See the beautiful frozen water!" said the bunny.

"We had rather see your ears!" snarled the Fox.

"And, taste them, too!" growled the Wolf.

They sank toward Uncle Wiggily. He could not run back, without running straight into the jaws of the bad chaps. He could not turn to either side on account of the steep walls. The only other way out was by the waterfall, and as Mr. Longears turned badly toward that he saw what he had not noticed before—a sort of ladder made of icicles. It was an icicle ladder leading up to the top

of the fall. Once up there the bunny would be safe.

Quick as he could, Uncle Wiggily climbed the icicle ladder, before the bad chaps knew what he was doing.

At the top Uncle Wiggily took a stone and broke off the icicles so the ladder no longer went all the way up, and the Fox and Wolf could not follow.

"I bid you good-by, bad chaps!" laughed the bunny, hopping home.

"Fooled again!" snarled the hungry Fox.

"Who would have dreamed of an icicle ladder!" growled the Wolf.

But so it goes. And if the little

honey bear doesn't get his paws all molasses when he is playing popcorn ball, I'll tell you next about Uncle Wiggily's Red Box.

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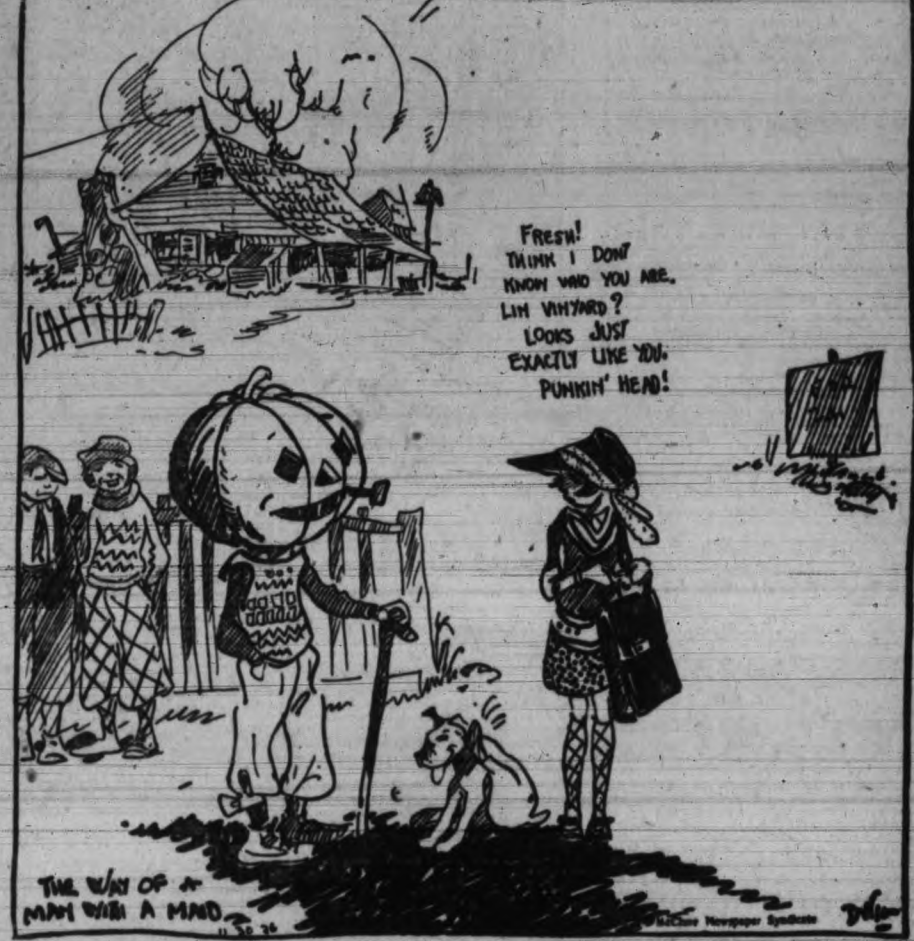
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Corporation of the City of Victoria REFERENDUM

WHEREAS the Municipal Council has
resolved that a vote of the Municipal
Electors qualified to vote for Mayor be
taken by way of referendum at the
Municipal Election to be held on Thurs-
day, the 15th day of December, 1926, be-
tween the hours of nine o'clock in the
forenoon and seven o'clock in the after-
noon, upon the following question:

"Are you in favor of appointing a
City Manager who shall have authority
to appoint and dismiss all employees of
the City?"

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to
the Electors of the City of Victoria
qualified to vote for Mayor that their
presence is desired at the Public Market
Building, Corner Market Street, City of
Victoria, on Thursday, the 15th day of
December, 1926, between the hours of
9 a.m. and 7 p.m., to cast their ballots
for or against the said question.

Such vote will be taken by ballot at
the said Public Market Building, and the
undernamed has been appointed to
act as Returning Officer for the purpose
of conducting the said Referendum,
which will be held in the same
manner as an election for Mayor.

Voters are requested to answer the
said question by marking a cross (X)
on the ballot opposite "YES" or "NO"
(as the case may be).

Given under my hand at Victoria,
British Columbia, this 30th day of No-
vember, 1926.

WM. SCOWCROFT,
Returning Officer.

LAND REGISTRY ACT

In the Matter of Part 60 Acres of Lot
Seven (7), Malahat District.

Proof having been filed in my office
of the loss of Certificate of Title No.
12514-C to the above mentioned land,
in the name of Gordon Hunter, and hear-
ing date the 28th day of January, 1926,
I hereby give notice of my intention at
the expiration of one calendar month
from the first publication hereof to
issue to the said Gordon Hunter a pro-
visional Certificate of Title in lieu of
such lost Certificate.

Any person possessing any information
with reference to such lost Certificate
of Title is requested to communicate
with the undersigned.

Dated at the Land Registry Office,
Victoria, B.C., this 28th day of Novem-
ber, 1926.

H. J. CRANE,
Registrar.

Victoria Land Registration District.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF WILLIAM FLETCHER, LATE OF
SAANICH, BRITISH COLUMBIA, DE-
CEASED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all
persons having any claims or demands
against the late William Fletcher, who
died on or about the 25th day of October,
1926, at Victoria, B.C., are required to
send by post, prepaid, or to deliver in
person to the undersigned, Solicitors herein
for Thomas Fletcher, Executor under the
Will of the said William Fletcher, their
names and addresses and full particulars
in writing of their claims, and state-
ments of their accounts, and the nature
of the securities (if any) held by them,
AND TAKE NOTICE that after the
24th day of December, 1926, the said
Thomas Fletcher will proceed to distri-
bute the assets of the said deceased among
the persons entitled thereto, having
regard only to the claims of which
he shall then have had notice, and
that the said Thomas Fletcher will not
be liable for the said assets or any
part thereof to any person of whose
claim he shall not then have received
notice.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this 24th day
of November, 1926.

WHITTAKER & McILRENE,
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TO-MORROW'S HOROSCOPE

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1926

Venus, the Sun and Jupiter are in
benefic aspect to-day, according to
astrology. Saturn and Neptune are
strongly adverse.

This is pre-eminently a day advan-
tageous to women who should push
all their affairs while the configura-
tion prevails.

This is a most auspicious rule for
marriage and they who plight their
troth to-day shall prosper. It is a
lucky day for theatres or
for any sort of amusement enter-
prise. Nation-wide enterprises will
flourish.

Much attention is to be paid to
beauty in the coming year. It is
propheesied, but artificial aids will
cease to be countenanced.

New fashions are to forebush
strange world events, the seer
propheesied. Decided changes are
indicated for men as well as women.

According to the month's lunation
there will be much secret diplomacy
which will disturb Great Britain.
The signs are still menacing for

the year.

WATER NOTICE
(Division and Use)

Take notice that James Eugene Gil-
more, whose address is Cachael, V.I.,
B.C., will apply for a license to take and
use three (3) cubic feet per second of
water through Lot 265, Rupert District,
and is approximately one mile west
southeast of the mouth of the Point Koo-
son. The water will be diverted from
the stream at a point approximately
half a mile northeast of the southeast
corner post of said Lot 265, and will be
used for industrial and domestic pur-
poses upon a portion of the land de-
scribed as Lot 265, Rupert District.
This notice was posted on the ground on
the 24th day of October, 1926. A copy of
this notice and an application pursuant
thereto and to the Water Act will be
filed in the office of the Water Rec-
order at Victoria, B.C. Objections to
the application may be filed with the
said Water Recorder with the Con-
troller of Water Rights, Parliament
Buildings, Victoria, B.C., within thirty
(30) days after the first appearance of
this notice in a local newspaper. The
date of the first publication of this
notice is December 8, 1926.

JAMES EUGENE GILMORE,
Applicant.

ARTHUR S. G. MUSGRAVE,
Agent.

NOTICE

Private Bills

NOTICE is hereby given that the time
limited by the Rules of the House for re-
ceiving petitions will expire on Monday,
the 13th day of December, 1926. Private
Bills must be presented to the House on
or before Thursday, the 4th day of Janu-
ary, 1927. Reports from Standing or
Select Committees on Private Bills must
be received on or before Thursday, the
11th day of January, 1927.

W. H. LANOLEY,
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disappearing bed, etc. Building heated
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SYSTEM, with sufficient radiation for
building twice the size; also auxiliary
water heater for domestic use. This prop-
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agricultural products and much dis-
cussion of the world's food supplies
may be expected.

Christmas this year may be marked
by a decided increase in travel. Long-
separated relatives will enjoy re-
unions, if the stars are wisely inter-
preted.

According to a London astrologer the
stationary position of Uranus and
Mars will unsettle the ruling powers
in many countries, but Ireland, Italy,
the Balkans and Japan will be the
most affected.

Persistently astrologers have fore-
seen for New York city some sort of
disaster or peril before the end of
the Winter.

Persons whose birthdate it is have
the augury of pleasure and prosperity
in the coming year. Quarrels with
women should be avoided with un-
usual care.

Children born on this day probably
will have many changes in homes
and even in the countries in which
they live. These subjects of Sagit-
tarius may be easily susceptible to
throat troubles.

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INTELLIGENCE
TEST

TEST ANSWERS

These are the correct answers to
the child's quiz questions which ap-
peared yesterday:

1.—The man is using the sharp
edge of an ax to drive a spike.
2.—Yes.
3.—Six.
4.—A snake.

5.—Twelve o'clock noon.
6.—Mark Twain.
7.—Ninety degrees.
8.—Yellow and red.
9.—Iron.

Lumber Imports of
San Francisco Drop

San Francisco, Dec. 8.—Lumber
imports into San Francisco for the
month of November totaled 71,500,000
feet as against 99,340,000 feet for the
month of October, the marine depart-
ment of the Chamber of Commerce
announced to-day. From Oregon and
Washington, lumber imported for the
month was 51,011,000 feet, while
California coast ports supplied 16,
489,000 feet.

The N.Y.K. liner Korea Maru
sailed yesterday for the Orient via
Honolulu. The vessel carried a pas-
senger list of 330 and a capacity
cargo.

The Panama liner City of Panama
is due to arrive here to-day from
Central American countries.

The Panamanian steamship Ison-
omy, which left last Thursday bound
for Vancouver, was only 425 miles
north of San Francisco Monday
night, messages received here yester-
day said. The four-and-one-half
knot speed has been occasioned by
the strong gales which have been
blowing off the Coast for the past
few days.

Only the youngest and tenderest
poultry should be roasted or boiled,
the older birds are better boiled,
stewed or fricasseed.

CHRISTMAS BARGAINS

BRENTWOOD—New 4-room bungalow,
electric light, good well, 2 acres
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highly situated and commands beau-
tiful view of the sea and adjoining
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8:30 p.m.—Prayer service, First
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OUT OUR WAY

GOOD SUFFRIN
GOSH! THERE
YOU GO AGIN!
THIS IS A SWELL
HUNT'N TRIP WITH
YOU ALONG! WHUT
IF A RABBIT SHUD
JUMP UP NOW?
CAREFUL HOW YA
ANSWER ME NOW,
TH' WAY I FEEL!

WHY DOES
A RABBIT
WIGGLE HIS
NOSE STOODA
HIS TAIL?
NO! NO RIDDLE!
IM JIS ASTIN'
VA!

WHO'S MY
BOSS? YOU
ER MA,
I AST YA?

HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN.

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9 p.m.—Ipana Troubadours.

9:30 p.m.—Moment musicale.

10 p.m.—Smith Bros.

10:30 p.m.—WEAF Light Opera Com-
pany.

10:30 p.m.—Ben Bernie orchestra.

10:30 p.m.—Joaquin DeBarry and his
orchestra.

10:30 p.m.—Family hour.

10:30 p.m.—Edison classical concert.

10:30 p.m.—Congress carnival.

10:30 p.m.—WBBM (226) Chicago, Ill.

10:30 p.m.—Coca-Cola.

10:30 p.m.—Nitty Club.

WCCO (418.4) Minneapolis-St. Paul.

6:45 p.m.—Radio Pioneer's hour.

8 p.m.—WEAF.

8:30 p.m.—Musical.

9 p.m.—WEAF.

9:30 p.m.—Musical.

10:30 p.m.—Margaret Ballroom or-
chestra.

11:30 p.m.—Organ recital.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9

CFCT (329.5) Victoria, B.C.

8:30 a.m.—Opening stock quotations
by dispatch from the board room of
the B.C. Bond Corporation.

Shipping Men Will
Attend Conference
At Portland Soon

Seattle, Dec. 8.—Many Seattle ship-
ping men leave Sunday night for Port-
land to attend the semi-annual meet-
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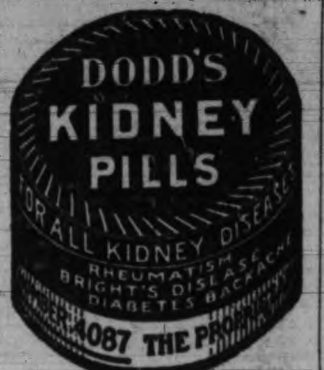
ALD. WOODWARD AFFIRMS HIS STAND ON RACING AFFAIRS

Deals With Matters of Civic
Government in Election
Rally

Invites Agricultural Association
President to Join His
Request For Inquiry

Alderman Eugene S. Woodward, sponsor of the civic election rally at the Chamber of Commerce last night, held the attention of his hearers of an hour and three-quarters with a survey of civic conditions in the last few years. During those portions of his address, referring to the B.C. Agricultural Association in its differences with the City Council, the alderman received close attention and closed with a challenge to the association to join his request to the council that a full inquiry be held, with sworn evidence taken.

Six years ago, said Alderman Woodward, he had been first elected to the council, and placed on the Old Men's Home committee. Finding conditions there to improve he had improved them, to the comfort and well-being of the elderly inmates. In the following year, 1922, he had



been chosen chairman of the finance committee, after an election shake-up that had unseated the majority of the aldermen then standing for office. Assisted by ex-Aldermen David Leeming and J. H. Gillespie, he had found financial matters at the City Hall in a somewhat chaotic condition. There had been a huge overdraft at the bank, shortages in sinking funds, and the evidence of a continued policy of drifting with dire results.

Though it had been an unpleasant task and an onerous one, the committee had been forced to increase taxation to arrest the swift decay that had set in, and at the same time to cut expenditures to a dangerously low degree. The committee had brought about the reinstatement of short-term sinking funds in longer and more advantageous issues, with a saving of money to the city yearly since that date. It was the work of the finance committee of 1922 that initiated the City Hall policy of pay-as-you-go, and which had been followed to date, he said. This achievement had restored the credit of the city, and had led to the benefits that were being noticed at this date, continued the speaker, giving credit to his conferees on the committee for the results obtained in that year.

Now that the taxation burdens of the city had been brought under control he believed that an era of industrial expansion would be the logical development, continued Mr. Woodward.

PLANS TO WIPE OUT CITY DEBT

The speaker then told of his three successive plans to wipe out the debt of the city, through long-term refunding issues, and through the sale of reverted lands. The latter had been defeated by a six to five vote of the council, and to this day he believed it had gone down to defeat at the hands of aldermen who had not really studied its purpose or proposed remedy.

This year, continued the speaker, he had been chairman of the works committee, seeing to the expenditure of public money for needed improvements.

In passing Mr. Woodward paid a tribute to the officials and staff of the public works department of the City Hall, who constituted a machinery that would compare favorably with any private contracting firm, both in the volume and in the class of work performed.

AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION AFFAIRS

Turning to the affairs of the B.C. Agricultural Association, the speaker said he regretted that the same standard of efficiency could not be claimed for that branch of the civic interests. To show that his present reference to the subject was not of a moment's duration, but a long-standing issue in which he had taken a leading part in other years, the speaker told of signing a minority report on the affairs of the association after the discussions of 1922.

"I recommended then that horse racing at the Willows be abolished. I see no reason to retract from that position at this date. So far as I have seen, and can expect to see, no good is to be expected from the horse racing," continued Mr. Woodward.

"It was the ratepayers, however, who voted for the racing, and for the pari-mutuel machines. In my position as chairman of the works committee this year I was called on again to deal with a situation for which I had no liking. I have taken the position that if there must be racing that should be under the control of the city, and with automatic betting machines."

Alderman Woodward digressed to tell of the stand taken by two past presidents of the association, Messrs. W. J. Rennie and Hastie Cochrane, who, he said, had brought up matters in relation to the handling of the affairs by the association directors.

"I took the position that the inquiry should have been continued to a conclusion," continued the speaker, stating that the present differences appeared to be repeating history in some respects.

Recently, he continued, the association had requested from the city a ten-year's lease of the grounds. "He was concerned to inquire into why the racing concession which in former days had been something of value was in 1925 awarded without any adequate payment returning. In 1926, he said, the sum of \$225 had represented the money received for the concession, and this had been a proportion of the excess grandstand receipts.

Three conflicting statements had been made to the city by officials of the association, continued the speaker, explaining at some length recent passages before the public works committee already reported.

"I claim it is not possible for them to say this information was given 'from memory,' for it was asked for on a Friday and they were given until Monday to make a reply," continued the speaker, who said he had then asked the City Comptroller to examine the figures given by the association officials to the city.

"The whole controversy," affected city property valued at \$200,000, and upon which a grant of some \$5,000 had been paid in most years. The result of the analysis of the information supplied to the city had led him to believe that either the information supplied was incorrect, or that the sums mentioned in it were wrong.

"I see Mr. Munroe sitting here, and I will take this opportunity of saying that this was a very unsatisfactory position. Mr. Munroe said in reference to the unsigned minutes in the minute book shown to the city that that was before his time. I put it to Mr. Munroe that minutes in that book appear which are unsigned at a date after he took office," challenged Alderman Woodward.

"W. H. Munroe: That is not correct, and we have the book to prove it."

Mr. Woodward—It is correct. I had the book before me when I found it out. Either it is correct or else the minutes have been substituted.

Mr. Munroe—Never.

Mr. Woodward—There are only two alternatives. Either the information given to the city was wrong, or else the book has been tampered with. I do not say that Mr. Munroe had anything to do with it. But either one or the other of those alternatives must be correct.

"I have no love of muckraking," continued Mr. Woodward, "but as chairman of the works committee

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If you have pains in the back, swollen feet or hands, brick dust deposits, constant headaches, falling appetite, suppressed or too frequent urination or feel dizzy, look to your kidneys. Deranged kidneys lead to sciatica, rheumatism, lumbago and other painful maladies. Get a box of Gin Pills at once. 50c at all druggists. National Drug & Chemical Company of Canada, Limited, Toronto, Canada. 123

this thing was forced on me. I am willing that the pain be buried, but if elected and brought into contact with the B.C. Agricultural Association I am prepared to see that efficient business principles are instituted without fear or favor."

Turning to other phases of civic operation, Alderman Woodward announced that he was aware that the Water Commissioner had worked out a plan whereby without reducing the sums raised from the sale of city water the burden could be more evenly apportioned among the future. This would mean that the small holder would pay less for his lesser requirements, and that the average bill would be more like \$1.25 for the small user.

This would be achieved through the medium of basic service charge of approximately 90 cents, with additions for each 100 cubic feet of water used by the consumer. He personally was against the seven-teen-cent penalty exacted for non-payment on time and thought that this charge, too, should receive some attention.

If taxation cuts were to be made in 1927, continued the speaker, he believed that they should bear with equal incidence all around. That the license holder, who was forced to pay road and poll tax as well, should receive a share of this relief, and as far as possible that all sources from which the city secured revenue by taxation should benefit on an equitable basis.

On the city manager issue he believed that there was no necessity for any change of government at this time. At the close of his address H. H. Shandley, chairman of the meeting, invited Mr. Munroe to reply to remarks made concerning the affairs of the B.C. Agricultural Association. "As president of the B.C. Agricultural Association I would like to recommend to our executive that an inquiry be instituted under three arbitrators. Say one appointed by the association, one by the City Council and the third a judge, to look into the whole affair. I will pay the cost if the association is found at fault. If Mr. Woodward will bear the cost if he is not correct," Mr. Munroe offered.

"I asked for a proper court of inquiry, with sworn witnesses, when this thing was before the City Council. If Mr. Munroe will join me in urging that course again before the council I will only be too delighted to ask the council again for that inquiry," said Alderman Woodward.

Livestock Census For 1926 Completed; Field Crop Totals Out

Ottawa, Dec. 8 (Canadian Press)—Estimates of the areas sown in field crops and the numbers of farm livestock for 1926, as compared with 1925, have been issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics in a bulletin.

The bulletin states that the figures are still subject to final correction. The total area estimated to be sown to the principal field crops for 1926 is 55,779,610 acres as compared with 55,745,756 acres reported for the same crops in 1925. These totals are exclusive of grain, hay, the area of which will be determined later. Wheat occupied 22,767,449 acres as compared with 21,972,792 acres in 1925. The area harvested of Fall wheat was 18,494,760 acres as compared with 14,672,320; barley, 3,794,718 against 4,075,995; rye, 737,114 against 852,257; and flax seed 816,311 against 1,128,100.

The total number of farm livestock in Canada as in June last are estimated as follows, the corresponding numbers for 1925 being given in brackets: Horses, 3,558,849 (3,554,441); milk cows, 3,951,335 (3,930,176); other cattle, 5,808,815 (5,477,123); total cattle, 9,760,150 (9,407,296); sheep, 2,877,363 (2,755,006); swine, 4,470,771 (4,426,148); turkeys, 2,147,514 (2,142,359); geese, 1,164,930 (1,185,139); ducks, 1,072,079 (1,103,006); other fowls, 45,254,549 (43,702,865); total poultry, 49,641,472 (48,133,969).

Legion Convention Delegates Appointed

At a meeting of the Britannia Post of the Canadian Legion of the B.E. E.L. last night, it was announced that Comrades Stone and Saunders would represent the post at the convention to be held in Winnipeg early next year.

Discussion of pensions for disabled men took up considerable time at the meeting and the delegates were instructed to bring this up at the convention.

A steady increase in membership was reported by the secretary, fifteen new members having been secured since the last meeting.

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LIBERALS ORGANIZE WARD THREE FORCES

Ward Three Liberals of Victoria prepared at a meeting last night for active organization in the interests of the Liberal Party here. A well-attended gathering heard the need of intensive organization stressed by prominent Liberals, including Hon. J. D. MacLean, Minister of Finance; Brenton Brown, secretary of the Provincial Liberal Association, and C. J. V. Spratt, president of the Victoria association.

Officers elected were as follows: President, W. Kinsman; vice-president, Charles Axhorn; secretary, Mrs. A. E. Harrison; treasurer, John

Wallace; representatives on the central executive, Mrs. Herd, Mrs. Hart, Thomas Walker and Harry Crocker.

LECTURER SPEAKS OF GREAT WRITER

Francis J. Bursill, Well-known
Writer and Speaker, Talks
on Genius of Dickens

Francis J. Bursill gave an interesting address before members of the Royal Society of St. George in the Conservative Club rooms last night. His subject encompassed one of the world's greatest authors, a reformer

and a genius, Charles Dickens. Rt. Rev. C. S. Quainton introduced Mr. Bursill.

The speaker depicted life in England at the time when Dickens lived, illustrating his remarks with lantern slides. Dickens was a great observer, said the speaker, and he wished there could be more of his type alive today.

It was imperative in a man's education that he should read, said the speaker, and there was no work which would be more beneficial to him than the stories in Dickens's works. Children especially should read and learn to love this great author, he maintained.

Noel Robinson read from some of Dickens's best known works. Mr. Bursill is seventy-eight years of age, and was recently ill. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speaker.



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